

## The diary of Sarah Ogden (née Cort) 1842 – 1851

Sarah Ogden (1817-95) was a daughter of Benjamin Cort, a prosperous ironfounder of Leicester, and was brought up in a fine 8-bedroom house in Welford Place.

Her diary starts with her marriage in 1842 to her first cousin Benjamin Cort Ogden, an employee of a Leicester bank. The bank's collapse the following year, however, led to Ogden's appointment as manager of the Stamford, Spalding and Boston Banking Co. in Uppingham, where they lived for the next five years. In 1848, he opened a branch of that bank in Grantham, where they settled. Sarah's diary ends in 1851 when they were living at 18, High Street, Grantham with a groom and two servants.

The Ogdens were a prosperous middle class couple, had no children and were Strict Baptists; the diary gives a vivid picture of their social life in Leicester, Uppingham and Grantham.

The diary has been transcribed and annotated by Nigel Webb, a Great Great Great grandson of Sarah's father.

Uppingham historian Peter Lane has kindly provided a commentary and notes on individuals appearing in the diary for the Ogdens' period of residence in Uppingham. It is hoped that someone would like to do likewise for their periods in Leicester and Grantham: please would anyone willing to do this contact Nigel Webb at [nandcwebb@gmail.com](mailto:nandcwebb@gmail.com). Feedback of any sort, especially if potentially adding to readers' understanding of the diary, would be welcomed and should be sent to the same address.

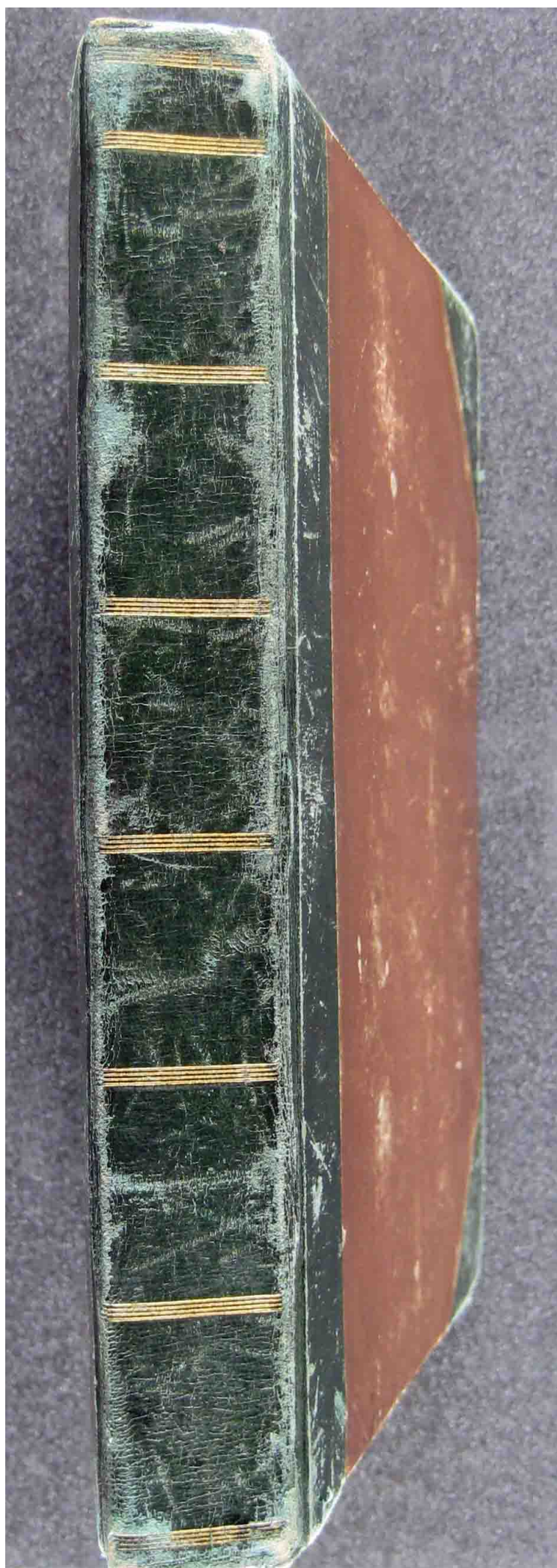
The transcription and Peter Lane's commentary are published at <http://www.rutlandhistory.org/sarahogden.htm>

Scans of the full text follow.

Nigel Webb December 2021







Diary for 1842

Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1842

The beautiful day in which I was invited  
to pass behind Lang's & trade happy day indeed  
went to church at 10 past 3 o'clock. Mr. Brown  
with us, he came to breakfast also. Left New  
York at 11 o'clock. On board the London at  
12 o'clock arrived at New York at 6 o'clock. Arrived  
at 10 o'clock. Spent a very pleasant evening

Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> 1842

Went to British Museum in the morning  
and lunch started by railway at 1 p.m. I left  
for Farnbridge, travelled from Stevenage by coach  
to Hastings, where we arrived at 8 o'clock.  
Lodgings, No 6 Pelham Place, had tea, much  
improved afterwards and truly thankful  
to have reached the end of our journey so  
safely. The person whom we attended  
upon was Mr. Wright,



Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup> 1842

Had a most delightful walk to the East Cliff & sat upon Cliff Top in the morning. Took letters in afternoon, had warm bath in eve, & a very nice delightful evening, one I hope never to forget!!

Friday June 10<sup>th</sup> 1842

Took a walk to Wellington Square & Cliff Top in the morning, walked home with her, enjoyed Mr. B's company much, her evening a exceedingly pleasant and agreeable.

Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup> 1842

Went to the Castle Park in the morning. Most delighted with the magnificent scenery. Walked on Beach in the evening, this memorable week has passed delightfully, and I am indeed truly & most sincerely the enduring gratitude of my beloved Benjamin.

Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup> 1842

Had a row on the water to the Lord's Seat. Took a quiet & delightful walk in the morning, about 10 o'clock, then in rather rough and on return; walked on Beach in the evening.

Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup> 1842

Letters from Mr. Brown & Charlotte, from Mr. D. M. Alden, from Mr. B. Alden. Walked to St. Lawrence in the morning, admired the town but not so much as before. Evening.

Friday June 17<sup>th</sup> 1842

Had a pleasant stroll in the sands, found a few stones, wrote to Charlotte, Ben & Mr. Brown. My dear Charlotte had a ride in the morning, got quite badly distressed, brought a few shells &c.

Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> 1842

My beloved husband went to sea in the morning, and returned in a most pleasing manner, went to Church in the evening, walked on Beach afterwards, pleasant conversation, & day which will soon be remembered with gratitude to the Almighty for his unfeigned success to one of the most unworthy of his creatures!!

Monday June 19<sup>th</sup> 1842

Walked on the sea with a walk afterwards, wrote to Charlotte in afternoon, sat upon Cliff Top in the evening, walked to the summit of the East Hill.

Tuesday June 20<sup>th</sup> 1842

Received letters from Mr. Brown, Miss Harcourt & Charlotte, pleased to hear from them, walked towards St. Lawrence in the morning, enjoyed it very much indeed.

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Walked on the West Hill in the morning, my dear Charlotte enjoyed a ride on his favourite charger in the afternoon. Mr. B. took tea with us at a late hour, & a beautiful moonlight scene about 10 o'clock, had a large supper in full suit, which with some difficulty landed very near us.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 1842

Travels in the morning, my dear husband went to sea, heard of in the afternoon, went to Church in the evening, had a pleasant walk afterwards.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June

Had some thoughts of going to Dover, the weather being rather unsettled, we declined going & Mr. B. called in the morning. Walked for the last time.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 1842

Walked on beach in the morning, very pleasant  
went to New Room in afternoon. I packed up  
and prepared for our departure.

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Took our farewell of Belling's at 11 o'clock for  
Bournemouth. Took second train about 1, had dinner  
took a walk, went to a shop of Southey's. Saw  
there a few articles, I had terrible sick headache  
in the evening.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Had a delightful walk in the morning to the  
ferry and left the Bournemouth Hotel at 10 past 2 o'clock  
by coach to Bournemouth. From there travelled  
by railway to London. Then proceeded in a  
coach to the Golden Lane. Mr. Edwards met at  
Bournemouth we arrived, but afterwards  
arrived with very great kindness.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1842

Went to Bristol. Shortly after breakfast returned  
in about an hour, looked at the clock upon  
Mr. Ward and Mr. Lincoln, then went to  
the National Gallery, very infinite paintings  
to the Albert &c in the evening. Mr. Edwards  
with us.

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June

The day for our return, started from  
London by the 11 o'clock train. Delighted  
indeed once more to see my favourite  
Mr. Leicester, Mr. Boyer met us at the  
Station with a fly, accompanied us to  
Holland Street where we were most  
cordially welcomed by dear Elizabeth.

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Very happy indeed in surveying my dear  
New Room, my dear Elizabeth went to the  
Bank at 9 o'clock returned home at 5 for dinner.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 1842

Went by omnibus to Bournemouth, most delightful  
to see dear Boyer, dear Mr. Ward, Mr. Ward. Staying  
then Miss Walker & Mr. John, came for tea &  
very very pleasant visit, reached Bournemouth  
about 8, went to the Albert Gallery, very  
much gratified with the looking same.  
Miss Wardwell present on our return.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June

Mr. Edwards & Miss Wardwell accompanied us  
to the Independent gardens, afterwards to the  
Lancaster & John Boyer, had tea at the  
went to Madame Teyssie's exhibition at night.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June

Walked to the fountains to visit Mr. Rogers, saw  
him & returned. After return from the Bournemouth  
after dinner drove to the Village spent a pleasant  
afternoon had tea in the Bournemouth house returned  
to Bournemouth about 9 o'clock.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 1842

Very happy to find that my dearest would  
not be obliged to leave me for 2 months as  
I had expected, he spent the evening with me  
very much pleased in looking over his letters.

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Mr. Boyer called in the morning, wrote letters  
to Eliza, Mr. Belling's and Miss Wardwell.  
My dearest left me again at night & we were  
very glad to see him again.

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Mr. Belling's, Joseph & Mr. Boyer called in the morning  
I presented a cake basket to my dear Elizabeth  
in the evening.



Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 1842

Expected my dearest would leave me early in Monday morning for Birmingham, and greatly regretted when he told me at breakfast that he was not going until Wednesday. Chapel morning and evening, Charlotte had tea with us, we walked in garden at Wilford Place in the evening and shared supper.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July

Charlotte came in the morning, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Cheselton M<sup>r</sup> & J<sup>rs</sup> Webb, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Lohmeyer highly offended about roads.

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Charlotte came in the morning, dined with us. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Dexter came, went out with her, then started tea, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>rs</sup> Webb called in the evening.

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 1842

My beloved went to Birmingham, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Broughton called, chapel in the evening.

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July

M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Musbrow called in the morning, my beloved had an attack of spasms about bedtime, myself was much alarmed, not having seen him so before, he slept a little on the sofa in the evening, many thoughts passed through my mind while watching him, but a prayer rose in my heart that these afflictions may be kept to us and that we may each be led to take an inheritance in that Kingdom where sickness & sorrow will be for ever done away.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

My dear husband better than I expected, went to the bank as usual, may we ever be enabled to provide the best for his parents!

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 1842

Chapel in the morning, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>rs</sup> Boden came for dinner, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>rs</sup> Harrison called.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 1842

Chapel morning and evening, B & J came for tea, very encouraging sermon from the 42<sup>d</sup>. Drove to my father's house with my beloved, performed on our return.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 1842

Charlotte Joseph and myself went to Tongue church, excited that my beloved husband would not accompany us. Large party for dinner here in the barn in afternoon singing in the evening.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 1842

Walked in the garden & in the morning large party for dinner M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>rs</sup> Harrison & M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>rs</sup> Boden had tea, went to see them returned home in the evening, delighted to see my beloved again.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 1842

M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Webber had J<sup>rs</sup> Boden for dinner, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Beyer went to Chelmsley, my dearest and I took a walk in the evening called at Wilford Place.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July

Took a walk with my beloved in Abbotston Lane in the evening, that the Magdalenites enjoyed it much.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July

Chapel, morning and evening. At 10 o'clock at  
Willford Place. Miss Lancelotti called in afternoon  
Bapt. intended to go to church with her  
was prevented by C. & M. H. called. My dear  
went to see, return by the Port & Fish & est.  
g. w. walked in garden at Willford Place in  
evening stayed before.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July

M<sup>rs</sup> & Miss Phillips called in the morning  
vacant with pleasant and useful.  
Chapel in the morning.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July

Charlotte and Papa went to Grantham  
Marina party could not go. We called  
upon her in the evening. M<sup>rs</sup> Schaubert  
there called at the Bell on our return.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July

Then August. Large party at the Bell. Bapt.  
called there. I called at Willford Place in  
evening. My dear went with to M<sup>rs</sup> Graham  
at Brighton.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July

Marina went to Grantham. I accompanied  
her to the coach. Late for dinner. John  
dined with us. Papa called Maria Maria  
M<sup>rs</sup> Graham & Miss H. H. called in afternoon.  
My dear went down to the station in the  
evening in M<sup>rs</sup> Phillips' gig.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July

My dear Woodland had a long walk with  
John in morning. Satishday evening.  
I read Light Shining. Went to church in  
afternoon. returned to New old Thistle  
in the evening.

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1842

M<sup>rs</sup> Phillips had breakfast with us at 9 o'clock  
and accompanied Bapt. to Wykeham.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August

M<sup>rs</sup> Graham came on her return from  
Birmingham. slept at our house.  
left M<sup>rs</sup> Graham still very weak and poorly.  
brought out a pair of shoes.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August

Went to High X<sup>th</sup> with M<sup>rs</sup> Graham in the  
morning. (Papa dined with us). She went  
to Exeter her departure in afternoon.  
Bapt. called upon M<sup>rs</sup> Graham and at  
the Bell in the evening.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August

M<sup>rs</sup> Graham came for dinner. the cage came  
for the shoes. felt very poorly in the evening.

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August

Went to Chapel in Fife, with morning  
very happy even more to hear the  
singing of the Baptist people. we dined  
at Willford Place. I returned home in  
the afternoon. My dear came after  
Chapel. conversed very pleasantly.



Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 1842

My dear husband went with Mr. Phillips to Chilton for returned home about 7 o'clock very late. I called at Westport Place & spent the time in the morning.

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1842

My dear husband went to Chilton, several of the friends out. We dined at Westport Place & went to Dublin for tea. Mr. Morrison, Charlotte & Mr. & Mrs. Phillips formed the party. I went to evening. My dear husband called at Mr. Phillips to supper.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 1842

Mr. Phillips had breakfast with Morrison and accompanied him to Wexfordham. We went to church home parties & school took leave for Mr. P. - Mr. Phillips called at our house, stayed at Westport, very encouraging. We wrote from the 518. Amount 100.

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August 1842

My dear husband went to Chilton in the morning went to Westport, Mr. P. at Wexfordham. My husband covered very pleasantly in the afternoon, stayed in the evening, however afterwards, very happy day, my dear husband better in evening.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August 1842

My husband went to Wexfordham by coach. I had breakfast with him at 7 o'clock. He left me for four days. I went to Westport Place, wrote to Westport in afternoon. returned home after supper, got very lonely.

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 1842

Morrison & Mr. Dolly called, began a sermon, letter from dear Mr. P. came, wrote to him, Mr. Boyce called in evening and Mr. & Mrs. W. Baynes.

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August 1842

Charlotte and Papa went to Wexfordham. In week day, I and Morrison went to the Ball for tea & supper. Mr. Morrison there. Very particular conversation when we returned, from 10 o'clock & school. I would have to help and finish the Hymnbook which had enabled me to finish in time. In fact, I was very happy. God!

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August 1842

I called upon Morrison. She came for Morrison, even called upon Mr. Subward in the morning.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 1842

Called upon Morrison, letter from Charlotte. I wrote to her in afternoon. very busy day at the Bank.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August 1842

Called upon Mr. W. Subward in the morning went to Westport Place for dinner. I stayed in the evening. Mr. Morrison called home with me. Great thank you.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 1842

Letter from Westport - he returned home about 12 o'clock with Mr. P. in his carriage, delighted to see my husband again. Mr. Subward came in the evening stayed supper.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1842

Mr. & Mrs. Adams came on their way to Dublin. Mr. F. having accordingly with Mr. P. went to Mr. P. for tea, returned home late, called Morrison.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep: 1842

Mr. J. Kuchipon, Mr. D. & J. O'Brien arrived with Mr. Morrison. Mr. Morrison present.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

Mr. & Mrs. Parker came to breakfast. Kept very poorly, could not go out in the morning. I went to chapel, letter from Chas. Chapin in the evening.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

My dear Benjamin went to Weymouth at 6 o'clock, very sad. He first wrote home; called upon Maria, wrote long letter to Chas. called at Mr. C's with Maria in evening.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

Very busy forenoon, Mr. & Mrs. Dexter called; sent Maria & me to Weymouth had tea with Maria.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

Dined with Maria. Chas. in evening.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

My dear husband letter went to chapel in the morning, very encouraging sermon. Dined at Weymouth then, letter from Papa & Charlotte. I wrote to her. Chapel in evening, a truly blessed discourse, for both in spirit & body, a happy day indeed, and I hope was to be remembered with heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty who has thus protected me more than I could wish or think.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

My beloved went to Weymouth again at 6 o'clock. Maria & Joseph, Mr. & Mrs. & Adams came for Maria. I said Maria called upon Mr. Dwyer, I returned home afterwards, the house appeared very lonely without the presence of my wife & child, wrote to home.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

My dear husband returned, very happy to see him, much enjoyed with the Anniversary of his birth in breakfast room, went in the town in evening.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

A wet day. Kept went to Postman from home about 8 o'clock, Mr. Phillips accompanied him, accident before they reached Station, providential escape my heart extremely ill with violent headache.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

My dearest very weak and poorly, went to Mr. Williams in evening, Maria came for tea. Dear Charlotte had the operation performed in her throat by Mr. Hay. Lye with her.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

Letter from Harriet in the morning. Liza returned from London. I went to visit Maria. Miss Phillips called when I was out, Chapel in the night.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

Mr. Dixon called, I went out, went to Weymouth for tea.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1842

Benjamin returned from Weymouth brought back with him, very happy to see my beloved again, called at Weymouth Place in the evening, called at the Post.



Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Our little boy took Mary Howard, the  
thru, brought him safely back.  
Called upon Emma in the morning  
went in town with her. Mr. S. L. Largent  
came for dinner. Chilly returned from  
Bristol. Mr. Hard with her. I went  
down to the Station, Wagon joined  
us for tea at Alfred Place and spent  
the evening. Mr. S. left by the Mail Train.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Went in market in the morning. Bought  
very much engaged at the bank. I called  
at Alfred Place in the afternoon.  
Went to Mr. Williams in evening.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Mr. S. at the S. of Mr. Chilly morning &  
evening. My heart is in low spirits upon  
predicting his Father's death.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

My beloved went to Weymouth early  
in the morning. I went to Alfred Place  
for tea. Mr. S. called in the evening  
went to Weymouth.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Letter from Harriet. Spent the day at  
Alfred Place, wrote to Louisa in evening.

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Sep 1842

Charlotte came in the morning we called  
upon Mr. Dingley. Chilly dined with me  
Alfred in the evening.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep 1842

My beloved returned from Weymouth  
delighted to see him again and  
happy to find it so the last time he  
will have to leave us for so long.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep 1842

I sat alone, did not go out, but consistent  
to Mr. Brown, on Saturday went in the  
market. Chilly called.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>  
of Sep 1842

Chilly in the morning and evening.  
Mr. S. L. Largent came to stay the week.  
Charlotte had for called in afternoon and  
My beloved.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Bought went to Weymouth, wrote in  
town with Mr. S. in the morning Chilly  
came for dinner. Mr. Brown for tea.

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Bought returned home for dinner at 6 o'clock.  
Mr. Dingley dined with us, and stayed  
the evening.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Bought went to Weymouth, called at  
Mr. Burtons in Chilly at night.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Called upon Charlotte in the morning  
Mr. S. L. Largent arrived at Alfred Place  
then called upon me in the afternoon.  
Bought returned from Weymouth  
very happy to see him again.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Sep 1842

Went in town in the morning, myself  
and Bought with Mr. S. L. Largent at Alfred  
Place. Mr. Goddard there for supper.

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 1842

Spent in town with Mr. S. L. Largent, and  
called at Mr. Burtons in. Bought very  
lively in the evening.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 1842

Washed in the morning, J. & Robert called in afternoon the Robinsons left and Bess stayed at home in evening very pleasant weather.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 1842

Called at the Bell in the morning, I dined at Welford Place, Mr. Hand there, returned home for supper.

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

Bess went to Melton, went in town in the morning, Miss Hand, Mr. H. H. & J. came for tea, Bess joined us at supper, Mr. Thos. Jackson called; Bess returned.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

Called upon Mr. Gentry, not at home also Mr. Gentry. Called at night Bess at Welford Place.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 1842

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Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

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Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

Called upon Mr. Gentry, not at home also Mr. Gentry. Called at night Bess at Welford Place.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

I called upon Mr. Jackson, dined at Welford Place, the Miss Hand & Mr. H. H. still there, returned home for tea & supper my beloved husband, he returned about 7 o'clock, delighted to see him once more, spent a very pleasant evening together settled accounts.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

Mr. Pinner called in the morning, I & Bess went to the Bell for tea & supper Mr. Pinner there; called at Welford Place before we went collection of Warnings.

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

Miss Hand & Bess called in the morning went in the market, Mr. H. left in the Friday evening.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1842

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Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 1842

Aunt Mary, my dearest Bessie in bed until twelve. I did not go out. Papa called in the afternoon; we were much pleased to converse after tea. The school letter in the evening, read to me, & sermon by the Rev. R. Holt (vol 6 Ser. 2) in which we found our opinions confirmed. Spent the evening very happily together, expressing our thoughts and sentiments to each other; our hearts are united as one!

There was one letter in answer to the others and the Lord sent peace in sweet communion joys which earth cannot afford.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 1842

Bessie rather better, went to the Church. Joseph called in the evening, he and Bessie had a long conversation; I had a cold but night.

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Oct 1842

Called upon Mr. Sheldon in the morning. My dear husband spent the evening at home without coming to.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Oct 1842

Chapel singing and sewing, & day not to be forgotten, very encouraging session in the evening from the 31<sup>st</sup> of Isaiah 19<sup>th</sup> verse, bless the Lord for all His mercies!

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 1842

Bessie went to Batham. I and Bessie called upon Papa, she walked with us, Chicky and Mr. Sheldon came for tea. Mr. S. Parker called, Papa came to take the ladies home.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct 1842

I dined at Alfred Place. Mr. Sheldon then, came home to visit Bessie on her return from Batham, he went with me to St. Paul stayed for supper.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 1842

Bessie did not go to Batham on account of her cold, herself in bed until dinner. My dearest spent the evening with me, read to me while I washed, Papa called.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 1842

I went for breakfast, did not go out, Charlotte called, wrote to Bessie in the evening, felt very lonely without him.

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 1842

Charlotte came for dinner and stayed the rest of the day. Mr. Parker called Joseph came for supper.

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 1842

Charlotte and Mr. Sheldon called in the morning, Bessie returned from Wykeham for dinner, very happy to see home again.

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 1842

My dearest went to Wykeham. Mr. Ogden and Mr. Dutton came in the morning. They stayed dinner & left about 4 o'clock. Chapel in the evening.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 1842

Mr. Sheldon called, went out with her Wives at 11 o'clock, came home to visit my dearest for tea.

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Mr. Sheldon, Annina and Bessie came for tea, Papa and Joe for supper, very pleasant evening.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Not day did not go out, J. Ogden came for dinner, my dearest at home in the evening, passed it very pleasantly together, there could another day & go.



Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Chapel morning and evening. F. W. more for dinner. Charlotte for tea. Miss Harwood called in the afternoon.

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Called upon Mr. Sheldon in afternoon to say farewell, leaving Leicester the following morning. Prof. very busy, refreshing visit, pleasant evening very good church.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Wrote birthday letter to my dearest. Was glad for term, we went to Milton, saw Henry there.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Dearest went to Huddersfield, had tea at W. Place, Chapel in P. in the evening. Truly blessed discourse from Rev. J. H. King. 186. 566 verses. Forget not his happy evening!

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Prof. went to Parkham, returned at W. Place and stayed the rest of the day. Emily and I had our skimped taken for a shilling each.

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Prof. at Milton, very wet for his return. Had tea at home, went out afterwards. On Wednesday my dear husband went to Huddersfield. Emily called in the morning, went out with her, David at W. Place called at the Park in afternoon, heard of Mr. Johnson's death. Chapel in evening.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

My dearest returned home at 9 o'clock. Beautiful evening, went out with her, called upon Mr. Law, Mr. Doughton very ill, called at the Park, Mr. Boyer ill. ordered sugar candy at Wilkes for the shoes.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

My dear husband's birthday; sorry we cannot spend it together. Prof. returned home in the evening, very glad to see him again, had several calls to dinner in the evening.

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

David Emily called upon Miss Martin at Mr. E's in the morning. My dearest spent the evening with us, examined the contents of her desk, very happy indeed.

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Market in the morning, pleasant evening in our little garden. John came for dinner, Prof. very busy all day.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Chapel morning and evening, Mr. L. at Newark, Mr. David at W. Place, very pleasant afternoon, returned home after chapel, arrived very fast.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Went in the train in the morning, Mr. Law of Huddersfield came for dinner at 5 o'clock. Emily David with us.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Arrived in the morning, did not go out with us. At 2 o'clock Dr. My dear husband at home in the evening, made the shoes and gave, 19 bottles: 12 bottles of gin, 5 Mr. Sugar sang.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Chapel in the morning, very encouraging sermon from Isaiah 40. 1-5, speaking of those who were coming to Christ for pardon and forgiveness; of taking him with the whole heart, which signifies in sincerity and truth. Many excellent remarks; how impossible to worship God without many wandering thoughts that we should not dwell upon our unworthiness but simply look to Christ, the merit of my dearest much beloved. Chapel in evening.

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 1842

I dined at Welford Place, party for dinner, Mr & Mrs Chamberlain & family with Miss Martin and their brother; Harriet could not go had had cold Mr Brod Lister with them.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 1842

Very miserable day for my dear husband's journey, snowed very much; quit in forenoon about noon, returned home at 6 cold very bad and headache; did not go to chapel.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 1842

Went to Welford Place shortly after dinner spent the evening, Mr Ward there, returned home after supper; on Thursday called upon Mr Croft, & spent night after her confinement, called upon Mr Dudley, Mr Broughton and sister Kate, Mr Bland returned home happily united to his bride again, very good friends, spent a very pleasant evening.

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Don't want to mention, I called upon Mr Phillips, who is the Rev J. C. S. & Mr Lichfield, London road, & City Church with me, & surprised my dear husband by appearing from the Church through Mr Broughton called in the evening Mr B. better, still very ill.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Remains ill.  
Went in the town in the morning Chapel in the evening; Don't go to Weymouth.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 1842

Went to Welford Place for dinner, returned home for tea to welcome my dear husband, delighted to see him again. Albeit somewhat rather expensive must make do.

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Very stormy did not go out, my dear sister called to see Mr Broughton, seemingly ill, her sister Harriet reported.

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Mr Broughton came early in the morning had breakfast with us but stayed dinner went out with her in the morning called to see Mr Broughton.

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Chapel morning & evening, my dear brother sincerely happy during the day; may we ever be enabled to bless and praise the Almighty, who hath thus taught each of us to know the great power of the gospel.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842

Remains in the morning did not go out Harriet at home, made several calls in the evening.

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 1842

Mr Miss Martins & Chamberlains came for tea, Harriet & Emily joined the party; Agricultural Workers at the Hall, Miss there assisting in the wine department, did not come home until after 12 o'clock. Mr & Mrs Lichfield and Miss Weymouth called, did not see them.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 1842

Mr & Mrs Dyer and J. Ogleton dined with us, left at 4 o'clock & which. Popen called in the evening.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Chapel morning and evening, letter from Mr Broughton in the morning upon receipt. Very excellent counsel given. I went to Miss Broughton in afternoon. Don't, Don't called for me to go to chapel.



Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Called at Mr. Place in the morning  
went in town with Mamma and Chilly.  
Mary had come home for tea Mary & Cook &  
M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Brown called and joined them.  
M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called. My school in evening  
spirits, fought a dinner war.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

My dearest went to Milton, very heavy fog.  
I called upon M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Cook, and went to  
see M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Place. Went to M<sup>r</sup> J. W. for tea  
and supper. J. & Chilly with me. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J.  
W. called. My school in evening.  
My dearest came after tea; very heavy.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Went to Walsingham, I arrived at Mr. Place  
Chaplet in morning, called at Mr. Walsingham  
and the Rev. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> B. still exceedingly ill.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Chaplet morning and evening, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> C. at  
Walsingham, letters from Mary & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. respecting  
the house that he had intended in  
the house, Mary went to Walsingham.  
I and my dearest had tea at Mr. Place, dearest  
died with grief in the evening.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Called at Walsingham Place in the morning.  
My dearest returned home to the house. Mary  
called in the evening, on account of her  
journey, busy bottling the porter in

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

My dearest went to Milton, Mamma and Chilly  
called, went out with Mamma, afterwards  
I called upon M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Lockwood, & at the Rev.  
on Wednesday, went to Walsingham Place to dine  
(Chaplet till night, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> C. at Walsingham).  
Till supper, & then Chilly not very  
well.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Went to Walsingham & M<sup>r</sup> Walsingham in the morning.  
M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Lockwood called, and M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W.  
with them. & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. afterwards Mamma and  
Chilly called, went out with Mamma.  
Mamma & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. had tea with us, my dearest  
returned home in good spirits.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Called at Walsingham Place, letter from Walsingham.  
My dearest returned home, very low spirits.  
My dearest returned home, very low spirits.  
My dearest returned home, very low spirits.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Wrote in the morning, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Walsingham  
came for dinner & J. W. called. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. came  
afterwards. My dearest called at the Rev. in the  
evening, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Cook & M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called.  
My dearest called at the Rev. in the evening.  
My dearest called at the Rev. in the evening.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Robert went to Walsingham, called  
Mamma and M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called.  
Mamma and M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called.  
Mamma and M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

I called at Mr. Place in the morning.  
Mamma and M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called.  
Mamma and M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called.  
Mamma and M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. called.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Decr 1842

Chaplet morning and evening, M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> C. at  
Walsingham, letters from Mary & M<sup>r</sup> J. W. respecting  
the house that he had intended in the house.  
Mary went to Walsingham. I and my dearest  
had tea at Mr. Place, dearest died with grief  
in the evening.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Kept at Melton, went out in the morning collect upon Mr Roberts & back Melton after dinner, Kept returned, took pills at night.

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 1842

Kept went to Wymondham in bed for breakfast, dined at W<sup>th</sup> Place wrote to Kept, chapel in P.M. at night took medicine at night.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 1842

In bed for breakfast, did not go out till 10<sup>th</sup> & Melton collect, on Friday went to Ditcham for tea and supper Kept very poorly on my return. Mr Brimston died.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Went to Thoby with John in his gig Kept and John followed at garden Mr & Mrs James there.

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Walked in the morning, kept party for dinner tea and supper, on Friday returned home on Mr Billings invitation, Mr & Mrs Adams, had tea with us, very happy to see our beloved.

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 1842

Visited at W<sup>th</sup> Place; kept for & Robert at Liverpool, wrote and Harman on rather low spirits. My dearest went to the Bath for supper and stayed to look the year, brought some some flowers as a New Years gift.

Thus ends the year 1842, a year which will ever be memorable to myself and my dear husband, that in my way we be blessed with grateful hearts for the unnumberable mercies daily received but knowing that it is not our duty to be enabled to go forward to those things which are of far more importance than anything in this transitory world.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Christmas day; had party for dinner the whole of the family there except Mr Johns; at home with her little son, the youth went to church in the afternoon, the singing came in the evening.

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

The youth set all day, rabbit catching came back for tea, for good Kept returned to Leicester in the evening.

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Walked in the morning with Mr & Mrs Adams to the New Bath, Mr & Mrs Adams went to Burton returned for tea on collect upon Mr Brimston in evening.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

Went to Langdon, party of 12 for dinner nearly at sunset at night, Mr & Mrs B. and Mrs James there, Mr & Mrs Watts.

January 1<sup>st</sup> 1843

Spent the day together at our own dear home Chapel in the morning, very excellent sermon from Colossians 1<sup>st</sup> Ch. 23<sup>rd</sup> v. Chapel in the evening, very cheerful in low spirits, pleasant converse happy moments afterwards.

Thursday Miss Broughton spent the latter part of the week with us, for at Liverpool waiting for a favourable wind for the ship to sail. Kept went his usual journey. A. F. Billings and Charles came to our house on the evening of 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> with Mr & Mrs B. and Miss came to W<sup>th</sup> Place.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Chapel, morning and evening, we had tea at W<sup>th</sup> Place, left Ann James and Charles at home.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> A. F. and Charles stayed the week at our house, Mr & Mrs B. and Mrs James with us on Monday, I dined at W<sup>th</sup> Place on Tuesday.



## January 1843

went to sea at St. Charles. I returned home on Thursday. My dear husband went to Milton and Weymouth. Mr. & Mrs. Bellings went with his lady and took the children home; heavy fall of snow.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> A very happy day, beautiful sunny morning, all around covered with deep snow. Chapel morning and evening very sweet with encouraging words from the dear Minister, texts from 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>d</sup> John iii. 15<sup>th</sup> & 38<sup>th</sup>. Went supper at Mr. Place. My dear husband had converse with Papa: "Wish the dear Lord who bestows precious promises that none shall see this joy in vain, may these sweet promises of hope success soon and sure sweet fulfilments go forth as bright rays and joyful salutation to a people that burneth." Chapel is the man whom thou choicest, and earnest to separate with thee, that in every word in thy visits, we shall be blessed with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple. Psalm 65<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> verse.

## January 1843

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> On Monday last conference for the N. & W. Lovers, Mr. & Mrs. Weston Mr. Marley J. H. Whitley, myself not very well; went to L. Basingstoke to Weymouth; rather unpleasant affair between J. & L. B. Mr. Lyden came with me on Thursday and stayed until Saturday. There seems very dear to me, I have been busy unpacking & transfer of some.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> My dear husband not very well in the morning, stayed at home, very happy to find on his return from chapel that he had profited a very pleasant morning in reading and meditation, at first some cast down but afterwards encouraged, much abate with a grateful sense of the mercy of God in bearing him and answering the poor petitions of such unworthy creatures. Mr. & Mrs. W. Adams at 11<sup>th</sup>, we went there for tea, chapel in the evening, many excellent remarks, confirming our conversation in morning had before at Mr. Place, dearest had converse with Papa; forgot not that lovely happy day!!

## January 1843

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> A memorable occurrence took place this week, our dear brother Robert left his native home on a voyage to India; the vessel sailed on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> many these changes lead him to see the error of his ways and be the means of enabling him to return with the Lord "for the rich boundedly pardon": with them all things are possible. On Tuesday I dined at Mr. Place, went for supper after his journey to Milton. I look at the last on Thursday, Chapel with Mr. Bellings went with me, went to see the room decorated, went returned from Weymouth on Friday.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning and evening; I thought you came for tea; Joseph returned home from Basingstoke, my dear husband very despondent, conversation in the evening after chapel, my dearest encouragement, saying happily morning to!! enjoying that peace and comfort which the Lord alone can give. Then the Lord with you and yours with trembling. Psalm 65<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> verse.

## February 1843.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> My dear husband not well went to St. Leonard's for tea & supper Mr. Meadows and Mr. Brown there, I think a cold in bed would diminish the next day, did not go out the suburbs of the town, on Friday in heavy snow storm, Arton Church Church very bright, the office much improved, Papa went for journey as usual.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning and evening very excellent sermon in the morning. Text Numbers 31<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> v. 1. Conversation after chapel in the evening, my dearest very despondent yet not without some faint rays of hope. May the precious promises of God the Father for his dear child, "be preserved and be with you to break the smothering plan shall not be quenched"; Now the work which the Almighty has begun, be carried on, and mine we wish be blessed with that peace which the Lord alone can give.

## February 1843

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Another week has passed without any particular has occurred. I dined at Alfred Place on Wednesday. Mr. Withers and I joined us at tea. Bessie went to Melton and Weymouth as usual and came more comfortably home in safety. Her letter was quiet as regard the merciful hand of the Almighty, yet she remembered us for his blessing, as we were ever as for good, the kindest grants as for for more than our utmost desires.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning and evening. Mr. B. at Grantham. We spent the day at Alfred Place. Bessie read in the morning at prayers. Very happy in recalling many changed that have taken place within the last few years; very happy to recall our separation for a while.

## February 1843

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Day cold and uncomfortable weather. My dear husband's journey! he came home on Thursday with such bad cold, I dined at 11<sup>th</sup> Place and visited Bessie for tea, finding he was so poorly. Returned home immediately, he suffered much pain, but bore it with the greatest patience, felt very much the following day, better on Saturday, and in good spirits in the evening. Bessie very much with the ministerial rough. Mr. Withers of Melton died on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> inst.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> A truly blessed day! Chapel in the morning, very encouraging sermon from Corinthians 16.13.18. The words from our dear Minister very much like to my dear Minister, B. says we are given the Lord for the people's good of the people! Very quiet in the evening. I did not go out as it was very dark. Husband's request, Mary went to chapel for the first time.

## February 1843

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Bessie went to Melton on Saturday (Mr. Withers could not attend on account of Mr. W. D. M.). at Melton on Sunday returned home in the evening. Weymouth as usual, I dined at 11<sup>th</sup> Place on Wednesday. Chapel in evening, Bessie at home all the week with bad cough.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> A day of remembrance indeed! Chapel in the morning, truly blessed sermon from Romans 2<sup>nd</sup> Ch. 4<sup>th</sup> verse. While in the house of God the Almighty was pleased to bless our little sweet remembrance, and of his love to my dear, granting me that real repentance which the Lord alone can create in the heart. Oh! how great is the goodness of God to such a poor unworthy sinner! My dear husband very much encouraged in the evening, enjoyed when with peaceful moments before chapel speaking of the wonderful goodness of God. My dear husband with his head felt during the last few years. I.E. 4<sup>th</sup> Ch. 15<sup>th</sup> verse.

## March 1843

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> I dined at Alfred Place on Monday. Bessie at Melton, he had breakfast with Mr. Withers at 6 o'clock. I came home to meet him. Chapel on Wednesday. Great Sermon 18. 2 Ch. 14. 18. verse. Bessie at Weymouth returned home on Thursday, delighted to see him again, my dear husband's brother and some affectionate home care!!

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> My dearest Bessie very much pleased in the side room on in the night went to chapel in the morning, met Mr. Thorsby on our return, cancelled him. He ordered sermon, my dearest did not go out in the evening. I.E. Revelation 8<sup>th</sup> Ch. 20<sup>th</sup> verse, very encouraging sermon, saw the word from our dear Minister to us both east upon the water which shall be found after many days.



March 1843

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Mr. Harriet better on Monday, went to the Bank as usual; went to Weymouth on Tuesday (the Fair) did not return home until Thursday evening. I visited at Mr. Harriet's on Tuesday and spent the rest of the day there; on Friday Mr. Dyer came by Mail we had tea at Weymouth. Mr. Dyer came afterwards and stayed supper. Mr. Dyer returned home on Saturday.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning & evening called at the Bank on the morning Mr. Loring there, visited him for dinner on Sunday. Mr. C. at home, two excellent sermons from the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter of Titus; in the morning 4<sup>th</sup> verse, evening 7<sup>th</sup> verse.

Black are the seeds that bear & burn,  
The grateful perfect sound,  
Now shall attend the path they go,  
And light their steps around.

March 1843

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> The office, chapel and I attended Court for a few hours on Thursday, on Friday Mr. Dyer came for tea and supper, expected Mr. Dyer he was prevented. Benja went his journey as usual. Miss Wroughton married on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Benja attended the wedding.

Sunday 26. Mr. C. at Newark, chapel morning and evening, very pleasant converse after chapel in the evening. It is indeed a very great privilege to be permitted to meet with those who worship God in sincerity and truth, and a still greater blessing to be favoured with the sound of the gospel, may these conversations be long continued to us.

March 1843

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> On Monday Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Lockwood with me at 5 o'clock. Chapel joined us, they left about 11. I had a pleasant walk with L. on Wednesday afternoon, chapel in evening. Mr. C. out on Thursday began water labour drawing. Mr. Dyer visited with us on Saturday. Mr. Dyer arrived at Weymouth on Sunday.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May we left for the same of the Abington, who had once more permitted us to live. The sound of the sea, the grateful, very excellent sermon in the morning my dear husband much encouraged. spoke of the stony heart, not of it being changed into a heart of flesh. In the evening Mr. Dyer with us, chapel in the evening.

April 1843

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of this month I went to Bath and returned home on the 20<sup>th</sup>. I prolonged my stay on account of Miss Loring being very poorly. My dear husband came on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> we went to Bath on Monday very delightful day, he left on Tuesday morning by Mail; much surprised on his arrival at Leicester to find the affairs at the Bank in a most precarious state; Mr. Chamberlain came on the following Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>, and brought the sad intelligence that the Bank had stopped payment in the morning surprised indeed we all were to hear it, myself on very poor, wrote to Benja at night, impatient to be at home. Mr. C. had visited Thursday, enjoyed his conversation much, very encouraging, we returned to Leicester on the 27<sup>th</sup>. I travelled by Railways Coach, found my dear husband in better spirits than before.

May 1843

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> - A most precious week indeed, one I shall never forget, in the greatest loneliness, with no living relation we should have Leicester; Bampf out of town every day, till Boston on Monday. Milton with Whittingham as usual; after noon Mr. Edwards to appoint him Manager at the Universalist Church - mentioned it to Bampf first on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April, saw him again on Monday May 1<sup>st</sup> agreed as to terms; Mr. Lewis showed the circumstances to Mr. Phelps, and passed answer from Mr. P. Bampf felt it exceedingly spoke to Mr. P. himself on Friday; spirit matters had been misrepresented, Mr. P. far more agreeable than expected, wished Bampf to go to Whittingham to solicit shares, travelled in his coach, which on return home, until late on Saturday night very stiff with sore riding so far. - May we be enabled to convert our way with the Lord for his better provision to direct our paths.

May 14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> - I went to Chapel on the morning, truly blessed sermon from the 10<sup>th</sup> Ch of Isaiah 13<sup>th</sup>. received very great comfort and encouragement. At Mr. Hunt with us Mr. Edwards came to town, Chapel on the evening. Bampf at home when I returned, still quite unsettled about Whittingham; on Tuesday Bampf went to Milton. From Milton home I dined at Mr. Hunt, Father and Sister in very low spirits. (Smiths of Chis trifled) came home for tea, Mr. Ophor & Mr. Bellings came on their way from Birmingham - stayed till Bampf came home, several people waiting to see him. I went to Chapel, Mr. Hunt for supper, pleasant visit in those, converse with Papa about his concerns, could not much, my dear husband and self in very low spirits. Whittingham - as usual returned home in better spirits, went to the Bank on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> for the last time left in the evening having been there nearly three and twenty years.

May 7<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> - Another week has passed and nothing is yet decided, on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> my dear husband was so exceedingly tired that he had to sleep in bed, was sleeping intending to go to Chapel when Mr. Phelps called for him, was obliged to be at the Bank until dinner time. Phelps together in the evening. (Preliminary). Bampf went to Milton on Friday, returned home in rather better spirits, was much enjoyed a few minutes peace and quietude in the evening, my dearest went to Whittingham on Wednesday, rather sooner on Thursday, saw no house for us there, thought of going to help me for a time at Mr. Phelps. On Friday the Fair, Mr. & Mrs. I. started came for dinner, but unsettled day, Mr. Hunt very disagreeable with Bampf. he wrote to Mr. Hunt Mr. P. wrote a satisfactory answer to Mr. P. Bampf went to Stamford, John Hunt came, then returned to Leicester, did not arrive till night 3 o'clock in the morning. Bampf stayed at Leicester for dinner on Sunday, arrived home about 7 in the evening. Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup>

May 21<sup>st</sup>

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> - Chapel morning and evening. At the Fair of the, dined at Mr. Hunt on Monday my dear husband went to Milton. I must have on his return and such home. Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Bampf went to Milton, returned Sunday for the Fair. Bampf came home on the evening. I dined at Mr. Hunt, he came to supper; Mr. P. and family arrived in the morning by rail; on Wednesday Bampf went to Whittingham to take up his abode, his first day of business there for the Whittingham Church; did not expect him until Saturday, most agreeably surprised to see him on Friday evening; Mr. Hunt and Mr. Ophor came on Saturday, kind with a very busy day for Bampf; several calls but did not come home until 11 o'clock.



May 28<sup>th</sup>

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> - A beautiful morning and evening.  
 At 10 o'clock, I went to the church at Westford, Mass.  
 and returned to Springfield in the evening.  
 On Tuesday received notice from Miss Phelps  
 to call at Philadelphia on Mr. & Mrs. Phelps  
 and Mr. A. appeared as well as I ought to be  
 expected: I arrived at 11 o'clock, Mr. Phelps arrived  
 in the evening; on Wednesday Charlotte, myself  
 Mr. A. and for went to Boston for the day.  
 Friday, I arrived at 11 o'clock, Mr. A. and for  
 returned afterwards, I arrived in the evening.  
 On Saturday my beloved husband returned  
 delighted indeed to see him again; had  
 several calls to make, met at Mr. Phelps  
 and Mr. A. arrived at night.  
 Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup> - A beautiful morning, very  
 encouraging sermon from St. Luke 11<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.  
 I arrived at 11 o'clock, Mr. Phelps arrived  
 in the evening, at home for supper.  
 Monday called upon Mr. Phelps, Mr. A. and  
 Mr. A. - Monday my dear husband went  
 to Springfield by coach to leave me for the  
 week, I arrived at 11 o'clock, Mr. Phelps and family  
 had tea with me.

Thoughts

From Pouch

Hold a barrel of saws, saws two barrels  
 cut into slices three barrels of looking water &c.  
 first remove the saws, saws, cover them down  
 close with a canvas cloth for ten minutes then  
 take out the saws, after that add two barrels of  
 hot water, half a barrel of water, and a barrel  
 of brine, with a good deal of salt of brine, and  
 this water of fresh brine, after that it is quite fit for  
 use.

With Pouch

Take the juice of eight lemons and the  
 juice of nine lemons, steep them in a quart of water  
 brine, or lemon one night, then add three barrels  
 of brine, or lemon for guests water that has been  
 boiled and cold, then to remove of brine, saws and  
 two barrels of looking water cover the whole and then  
 leave them to stand through a jelly bag and  
 filter.

With Pouch

Take ten barrels of brine, and  
 the juice of eight lemons, steep them in  
 them together, then add one barrel of water, very fine  
 look two barrels of water, and for guests water  
 which will immediately remove, then add three barrels  
 of looking water, and cover them with a good deal  
 of this to remove in the afternoon it will be ready  
 to press through the bag, the next morning it will  
 be ready for use, you must use much sugar  
 and a good deal of sugar is generally put in the  
 quantity above. - You must be careful to have  
 the juice of your lemons free from seeds.

### Warts & Trachyopora

Soaking one foot in warm water  
renders the feet plumper. a little wet  
whiting will get rid of leucosis. a little  
wet salt will get rid of leucosis. a little  
soak in water & take your feet out  
soak in water, which there are all over water,  
which will take out of feet.

To preserve Fruit with Water only  
Soak the bottles with fruit; place them  
in a vessel up to the neck in salt  
water; put them on a brush fire, and  
heat the water to 160°. keep it at that  
temperature for 2 or 3 hours, have some  
boiling water ready, with which to fill the  
bottles to the neck, afterwards cork them  
down tight.

### Mixture for cleaning Coats, &c.

1/2 lb. Lard 2/3 Green Soap  
1/2 lb. Glycerine 1/3 Common Soda  
1/2 lb. Nitrate of Soda 1/2 lb. Plain Water.

To be boiled altogether for 5 minutes.  
When used for cleaning, warm a bit of the  
mixture in a saucepan, and use a hard cloth  
brush, rub the article dry gradually.

### Remedy for Gags, Coughs, &c. Paintings. Patent Water and Furniture

Raw Linseed Oil 1 pint  
Brown Sugar 10 lb  
Spirit of Wine 2 lb  
Essence of Sassafras 1 lb  
Mix in a bottle and rub with a  
ball of cotton, until quite dry.

To remove grease or stain out of cloth or  
silk, wash with salt.

Spirits of Salomonias 6 lb  
Sulphur of Tartar 2 lb  
Spirit of Turpentine 2 lb  
Soft Soap 1 lb

To be mixed in a bottle and rub with  
a piece of sponge.

Boiled in Copper  
Bottom Stone 1/2 lb  
Prepared Chalk 1 lb  
Spirits of Salomonias 1 lb  
Soft soap 1 lb or Brown soap 2 lb

### Diary for 1843

June 7<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> It has been very pleasant since  
we were visited in that month, when  
nothing but death was expected; and  
we may say, that the morning  
of the Lord has been removed away  
morning, His Spirit, and every night;  
yet although our friends have been  
us, many great blessings, we have not  
been without troubles, those trials and  
more and more, than we can see  
the visible comfort; but now it is  
the will of the Almighty, to remove us  
from this place, where we hope to  
pass many years; in great trial it is  
to save of us, for the eye of man, the  
change appears to be against us, justifying  
us it regards our spiritual welfare, but  
seeing we, with the eye of justice, be enabled  
to trust in an All-wise God, who hath  
promised that all shall work for good to  
those whom he hath taught to believe in him.



June 10<sup>th</sup>

Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup> My dear husband went to Wykeham on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> did not return home until Saturday, consequently we were separated on the first anniversary of our wedding day, - on Tuesday Mr. & Miss David with us, very wet day, on Wednesday received note & chain from L. Broughton, which we will send, I hope in the evening. Prof. returned home on Saturday evening before he saw how John had purchased for him.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> A truly blessed day, blessed morning and evening, very encouraging sermon in the evening which I hope never to forget. I. H. James 19<sup>th</sup> I. H. James 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8<sup>th</sup> v. I desire to get truly thankful to the Almighty who hath thus provided for me and mine, may I be ever grateful for all the mercies I have received, and may He be our God and guide even unto our lives end.

July

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Went to Wellston with John in his gig. Prof. & Miss Lane met us there on Sunday. Mr. & Mrs. Deane and Mr. & Mrs. Tatham came for dinner - I hope to be in the water on Monday, Prof. left early in the morning, we went to Tisbury in afternoon, looked over the New Water, returned to Linsington after tea, Miss Lane stayed the week with me, walked to the Abbey garden on Tuesday evening, which we will send, I hope in the evening. Prof. came home on Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup> expected Mr. Bell, he could not come.

Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup> A blessed morning and evening. A Willingham David with us, Mr. Ashhead came for tea, truly blessed day, toward to be expected to have many hours, our dear Minister spoke of being possibly resigned to the work of God. I. H. James 6<sup>th</sup> v.

June 17<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> This week I went to Wykeham for the first time, travelled to Tisbury on Wednesday by Mail; Mr. Dyer took me forward in Thursday in his gig, which at Mr. Lane's decided upon taking rooms at Mr. Foulke's, my dear husband returned to Tisbury with us in the evening, very beautiful evening, enjoyed the ride much we left the following morning, Mother brought me to Linsington, which we left before we went, Prof. came home about 6 o'clock, Mr. & Mrs. Lane proposed for him to remain the fortnight.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> A blessed morning and evening, which we will send, I hope in the evening. I. H. James 4<sup>th</sup> v. 1<sup>st</sup> v. 2<sup>nd</sup> v. 3<sup>rd</sup> v. 4<sup>th</sup> v. 5<sup>th</sup> v. 6<sup>th</sup> v. 7<sup>th</sup> v. 8<sup>th</sup> v. 9<sup>th</sup> v. 10<sup>th</sup> v. 11<sup>th</sup> v. 12<sup>th</sup> v. 13<sup>th</sup> v. 14<sup>th</sup> v. 15<sup>th</sup> v. 16<sup>th</sup> v. 17<sup>th</sup> v. 18<sup>th</sup> v. 19<sup>th</sup> v. 20<sup>th</sup> v. 21<sup>th</sup> v. 22<sup>th</sup> v. 23<sup>th</sup> v. 24<sup>th</sup> v. 25<sup>th</sup> v. 26<sup>th</sup> v. 27<sup>th</sup> v. 28<sup>th</sup> v. 29<sup>th</sup> v. 30<sup>th</sup> v. 31<sup>st</sup>

July 9<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Very busy with the week finishing up. Miss Lane left on Monday with Prof. in the gig, better from Mr. Deane on Tuesday, decided upon leaving the remaining room for the fortnight.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> The first week has been a memorable one indeed. Monday & Tuesday spent finishing the fortnight, on Wednesday it was decided to start at 8 o'clock on the same day, 2<sup>nd</sup> v. 1<sup>st</sup> v. 2<sup>nd</sup> v. 3<sup>rd</sup> v. 4<sup>th</sup> v. 5<sup>th</sup> v. 6<sup>th</sup> v. 7<sup>th</sup> v. 8<sup>th</sup> v. 9<sup>th</sup> v. 10<sup>th</sup> v. 11<sup>th</sup> v. 12<sup>th</sup> v. 13<sup>th</sup> v. 14<sup>th</sup> v. 15<sup>th</sup> v. 16<sup>th</sup> v. 17<sup>th</sup> v. 18<sup>th</sup> v. 19<sup>th</sup> v. 20<sup>th</sup> v. 21<sup>th</sup> v. 22<sup>th</sup> v. 23<sup>th</sup> v. 24<sup>th</sup> v. 25<sup>th</sup> v. 26<sup>th</sup> v. 27<sup>th</sup> v. 28<sup>th</sup> v. 29<sup>th</sup> v. 30<sup>th</sup> v. 31<sup>st</sup>



July 1843

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Went to Leicester, Mr. Hope and  
self, went to Mr. A's to see the man  
at the Infirmary, arrived at Wymondham  
about seven. During our absence Betty  
and Wm. had advanced most of the specimens  
very busy until late at night finished on  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> and took up our abode at  
Mr. Fowells till a late hour 11 o'clock,  
very thankful to be so far settled.

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> The moon begins to get settled  
in some new home, more comfortable than  
I anticipated. Briefly stayed with me until  
29<sup>th</sup> when Capt. Brown set in a double gig  
to Leicester, Warrum at Grantham, Robert  
still living but sending fast. Mr. Cullen to  
preach; very much enjoyed the day.  
Returned home early on Monday morning.

September 24<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday<sup>d</sup> Capt. came to Wykehampton  
Dorset accompanied him to Dorchester  
Thursday, We returned in the evening  
Capt. left on Friday morning.

October 9<sup>th</sup> My dear husband wrote me to Leicester, had a pleasant day on Sunday, was more favoured with the forgiveness of having our dear ministers brief returned home in the evening. Charlotte went to Boston, on Monday Mamma and I went to Boston. Mr W brought the carriage for us, returned on Wednesday night in the evening, O. G. came on Friday 13<sup>th</sup>. My beloved husband arrived on Saturday evening, took me to Boston on Monday, reached home in evening.

August

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of this month Howard Chamberlain  
brother-in-law of Mr. L., & severe harassment  
induced to his affectionate parents.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>, very heavy storms in various parts, very violent here and at Leicester serious accident by a fireball entering a house at Stamford; 12<sup>th</sup> Prof<sup>r</sup> went to Boston, returned on Sunday morning (stockings Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Annuaire came by Mail and stayed a week, (R. at Wellington) enjoyed her company much, but several visits.

we went to Societas on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> the  
Mamma with us; Elsie returned home  
the same evening, Benj<sup>m</sup> left on Monday  
for Nelson's Cove, Mamma poorly, I stayed  
a week, Benj<sup>m</sup> came again on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>  
we arrived home early on Monday morning  
An anonymous letter to, welcome us.  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> wrote to Mr. Perkins about the

Edward & the Misses & Mr. Benson gave her a  
supper, Mr. & Mrs. W. were there, Mr. Benson  
is indeed a wonderful woman for her age.  
92, she sat up until 12 o'clock very lively  
and amusing, I would not write to her now.

October 1843.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Benj<sup>m</sup> went to Leicester on  
Saturday. S. Williams returned with him  
on Sunday afternoon, he spent a little  
time with us, on Thursday (5<sup>th</sup>) my  
dear husband & Anne and the Holliston  
returned next morning at 10 o'clock.

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Charles came by coach,  
very glad to see us, on the 13<sup>th</sup> W. S. W.  
Dexter joined with us, we returned  
to Langton with them in the carriage  
and stayed until Monday, my dear wife  
with us on Sunday, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Estlin  
and S. Wilkinson left, they went by coach  
at half past one, enjoyed their tour very  
very much indeed & I hope W. S. W. was  
I bought the blackbird and crow.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> My beloved husband and self started off quite unexpectably to Grantham were pleasant journey in fog, and sweet welcome reception; on Friday, a beautiful day, had a drive to Belvoir, Walsingham and stayed until Thursday, the weather unfortunately very unpropitious.



## November 1843

Thursday<sup>th</sup> My dear husband and self left Grantham and travelled in gig to Leicester arrived quite unexpectedly, found Mamma and family were gone out for sea, very kindly welcomed when they returned my nearest friend stayed until Sunday afternoon many disasters when he arrived home; on the 9<sup>th</sup> sent by express a letter for a birthday present. On the 13<sup>th</sup> my good husband came and returned again on Sunday afternoon; very encouraging news in the letter from St. Luke 19<sup>th</sup> C. S. to St. Helens 25.20. On the 18<sup>th</sup> Henry Hand who came, and spent a few days, he went to Grantham on Tuesday, and came again on Thursday, returned to London by North train on Friday night; have had a little opportunity of judging his character; may I never have cause to alter the opinion I have now formed. On Monday returned home after an absence of a month, very happy to be once more quietly settled, enjoying the society of my nearest friends.

## December 1843

The last month in the 1843, nothing very particular has occurred, passed our time very quietly at home with the exception of Christmas day; went to Tugby in gig on Saturday evening, had our New Year's Church and Sunday, Family party for Maria on Monday (Xmas day), finished home at night. I must not omit to remark the illness experienced on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> my dear husband went to Milton as usual, I expected him a week, waited in the greatest impatience, sent man & horse to meet him, at length he arrived at 9. Mr. Edmunds with him, both left well, with a meeting had detained them, Mr. S. stayed all night. Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> The last day of the year, which did not pass uneventful; we met with the little flock, a portion was read which reminded us of the last great day, salvation such to be prepared. In the evening we recalled many events which have taken place during the present year, we should it with grateful praise to the Ministry for the numerous blessings received this year.

## Lines

Time! what an empty measure 'tis!  
And days how swift they are!  
Swift as an Indian arrow flies,  
Like a shooting star.

Oft, mighty God! our fleeting days  
Thy lasting favours share;  
Oft with the bounty of Thy grace,  
Thou lead'st us through the rolling year.

Thy sovereign mercy guides us forth,  
And we are clothed with love,  
Thy grace! stands pointing out the road,  
That leads our souls above.

Thy goodness runs our endless rounds,  
Oh glory to thee Lord!  
Thy mercy never knows a bound;  
Thou be his name adored!

## Memorandum January 1844

We again commence another year, not without a sincere prayer to our Heavenly Father, entreating His kind protection and guidance and that we may daily grow in grace & in the knowledge of the truth, desiring to be left anxious for the things of this life, and to be prepared for another and a better world. My old friend A. & L. spent a little time with us, she came on the 8<sup>th</sup> and returned home on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. On the 13<sup>th</sup> letter from Charlotte saying Papa had received a letter from William stating that Robert had encountered a dangerous injury in a fall from a carriage, the Captain was severely, and slightly wounded, Robert was preserved and arrived at Bombay with the care of the gods, this occurred in Sept. it is strange indeed we have had no letters from him should fear he thinks very little of those kind friends he has left.



February 1844

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> A very harassing day to my dear husband, important business obliged him to go to Stamford briefly and unsuspiciously about 12 o'clock, did not reach home until 7, on his arrival, a 2<sup>nd</sup> letter from Ebenezer requesting him to pay £22.0.0. a gold debt. Prof. wrote to Christine and Papa. The letter proved to be John O'Brien for horses. I would have remarked this is the first week of winter this season, for hitherto it has been mild indeed; on Wednesday we had the first appearance of snow, Thursday it ceased, sharp frost, Friday morning 2<sup>nd</sup> found there had been a great deal of snow in the night, it continued all day, Saturday again, Sunday morning we again found much snow had fallen in the night, it continued nearly all day consequently became rather deep in some places. The beautiful light moon shining upon our white world afforded a most splendid scene. written Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

February 1844

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> We went twice to the little Chapel, some difficulty to get there. Snow, in the morning we had a sermon by Mr. Gadsby, sent him remembrance of his death (which took place on Friday Jan 26<sup>th</sup>). forgot not the happy evening of this day, my beloved husband read a sermon from the text, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want," (Psalm 133<sup>rd</sup> Verse) we enjoyed it much, my dearest husband sweetly set forth in prayer; we were each overcome with a feeling sense of the goodness of God, enabling us to hope that he has placed us amongst his blessed flock, all glory and praise be sent our Heavenly Father! written Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

Rest soul, that can say, "Christ only I seek,"  
Wait for him always, be contented, that wish.  
The Lord whom thou seekest, will not long lay  
Awake him the sweetest as dear as the strong.

February 1844

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> A general meeting of the Directors of the Stamford Banking Co at Stamford. Mr. Newcomb's affairs discussed.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Received two letters written from Bombay by Robert to Mother and John wherein he alludes to the terrible plague which reigned in Egypt, but writes the particulars to fear the reason he gives for not writing sooner is the hurry in which he left Bombay for Leamington, he appears undecided in what occupation to enter but has some thoughts of taking a situation under Government, writes very respectfully to his parents and wishes for their advice.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Had a pleasant walk to Ayston the country appeared beautiful, the snow still on the ground, sharp frost, and the trees and hedges covered with white snow appearing a splendid appearance. The sun being coming it to transpire the frost being slight, made it very slippery.

March 1844

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Today we have quite a change it begins to thaw very fast, the snow and frost has continued nearly to fortnight.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> My dear husband went to Kettering to converse with Mr. S. M. Dutton respecting Mr. Bellings taking Mr. Weston's boarding house, undecided, whether to go to London. This was on Friday.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards dined with us.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Prof. went to Tugby for dinner to have some conversation respecting Mr. Bellings and family came home at last past 9.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Throve Tuesday, intended to have pancakes when dear Mabel returned from Milton but he was a late, that we had them on Thursday instead; it snowed in the morning, very frosty night.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Very sharp frost very night since Tuesday, snowed in the afternoon but afterwards turned to rain.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Not so cold, rain, very fast all day which coming upon the snow made it very slippery.



## February 1844

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> A great change today, very mild with showers, but cold again at night.  
 Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> The most disagreeable day my dear husband had had for his little journey this season, snow in the morning very high wind, severely cold, and sharp frost at night.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> My dear husband started on his journey to London, respecting Charles's business. I went with him in the gig to Leicester, set off at 6 o'clock, arrived there for breakfast, "Bent" went forward by the 12 o'clock train, he slept at J. & Warr's, but spent most of his time in town. The only place he had time to see, was the East India House, Savoy Gardens & British Museum, the weather of course; he returned to Leicester on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and home on Sunday afternoon. Found in invalids at Mr. Fowles. I stayed until Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> John brought the gig for me, "Bent" met me Friday, we arrived home at 8 o'clock, I had severe cold.

## March 1844

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> This week I have been confined to the house with severe cold. My dear husband was very kind and attentive, with his excellent nursing and attempts to say I am now quite well. The business between Mr. Weston and Mrs. Perkins settled this week the agreement drawn up and signed, the books put back place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> My dear husband in bed for weeks. I did not go out, enjoyed a sweet season in the morning, while reading the word of God was filled with a sweet sense of the love of God to my soul, and a confident hope that my dear husband with, in the Lord, he thus appeared, my heart overflowed with gratitude to our kind Heaven by Father when I saw him his boundless mercies.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> Very beautiful Spring weather commenced on Tuesday, my dear husband and self had a pleasant walk on the fields Chapel morning & afternoon. It is possible engaged in prayer, much improved, may be enabled to discern the true spirit of prayer.

## April 1844

April 5<sup>th</sup> Good Friday. I and "Bent" went to Leicester, visited Mr. Goldsmith's worth accompanying us, but he was prevented, very pleasant weather, Chilly at Grantham Mr. L. arrived 25 March, Warrington being alone and very poorly. I said with her sister.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> when she returned with me to Warrington, spent a week with me enjoyed dear Mother's company much, had several pleasant walks together, on Friday my dear husband drove me to Hallaton went to the little chapel on Sunday. It is possible read to, on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Hart came to tea, Warrington left us on the following day. Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Mr. Richards came to dinner, beautiful weather still continued, no rain since March 17<sup>th</sup> very warm in the middle of the day, cold in the evening, very busy tending to our little garden, sowing seeds &c. &c.  
 April 16. The day on which our friend Ann Wilkinson was married to Mr. Charles Satchell we received cards & gloves.

## May 1844

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> The children reminded us of Mayday by throwing their May-boughs, a very lively day. Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dixon came to tea the same Mr. Richards & Mr. Stephens who employed him.

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> My dear husband was obliged to go to Nottingham on business, Saturday he went to Birmingham to settle the same.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> I had bad cold, in bed nearly all day, my dearest read to me in the evening.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> In bed for breakfast cold till Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> My dear husband and Mr. Stephens went to Nottingham for a day's work shooting. Mr. Stephens joined them in the afternoon, had a good day's sport, killed 6 Wren-rocks.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Rain now begins to be much wanted, some appearance of it during the day, rain in the evening.

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Some rain in the night but quite dry again today. Mr. Bell went from home with his Father.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning, beautiful day. Mr. Johnson came, stayed dinner & tea.



May 1844

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Mr. Goldsmith came to attend in St. Paul's absence, and breakfast with me, Benja. at Milton. Mr. G. said tea left about 8 o'clock.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edmunds came to dinner.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Hallaton fair. Benja. & Mr. Law went over for tea & supper, home late.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Benja. went to Rochester, had an accident which might have proved very serious, the mare slipped and fell, throwing her rider some distance; it is said that owing to a merciful Providence my dear husband was not killed.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Benja. in bed, nearly all day. Went to Chapel in afternoon.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> My dear husband still very ill, but able to go to Oakham in the p.m.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Benja. very much better. John came over in afternoon, we drove to Wallaton in the evening, enjoyed it very much.

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Mr. Law called. I walked with her to Monument Chase, had tea there. Benja. & Mr. Law came after tea and walked home.

June 1844

This has been a memorable month, and first I would note the merciful kindness of our gracious God in sending refreshing rain upon the parched ground; previously it has truly been a fearful time, having had no rain since March, the Almighty works in a wonderful way to cause his creatures to own their entire dependence upon him; may with others watch the operation of his hand, working all glory to our God, may our hearts overflow with gratitude to him who thus watereth the earth, causing the tender herb to spring forth, and may the Spirit in like manner shed his sweet influence in our hearts, that the seed thus sown may bring forth precious fruits.

O that men would  
praise the Lord for his goodness,  
and for his wonderful works  
to the children of men.

June 1844

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Spent the day at Leicester on Saturday previous. Mr. Ingram took me in his gig. Annina had just returned from Ipswich when I arrived, Charlotte in London.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> I went to Shilton with Mr. & Mrs. Adcock in the carriage, started there about Thursday morning, Charlotte and Mr. Gaud returned to Leicester on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> surprised us by coming to Shilton on Wednesday. It is a last farewell of Mr. Adcock, she left her native land with her husband on the 13<sup>th</sup> they have my most sincere wishes may the Almighty go forth with them but bless them with every comfort, but more especially may he lead and guide them in the only way of salvation, and grant them every spiritual blessing.

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> My dear husband came to Leicester and we returned home together on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> After some consideration and arrangement the business of the Foundry was given into the hands of Mr. Rye and Mr. Post. May we be thankful that our dear Father is so glorified.

June 1844

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> On this day we gladly welcomed the first refreshing rain. Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> rained very fast all day, heavy showers on Wednesday. Mr. Edmunds came to dinner. Thawing on Thursday & on Sunday and Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> but very warm, in the evening we went to Mr. Edmunds to tea, I took a sketch of the house. Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day again, continued heavily all day, afterwards fair to the end of the week.

June 29<sup>th</sup> Finished the drawing of Mr. Edmunds' house, Miss Towell at home for the holiday she drew with me, made a drawing of St. Martin's Church. On Thursday I had a delightful ride with my dear husband enjoyed it exceedingly, called upon the Rev. Mr. Weston of Sutton and Mr. Stables of Thrapston. On our return a letter from Charlotte containing very unpleasant news. Thus our joys are marred, every earthly pleasure is indeed short lived, and vanishing. May we then seek those joys which never fade away.



July 1844

Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup> My dear husband drove me to Leicester in the gig, visited the school of the song, Miss Gurney & children were here all in very low spirits particularly dear Father Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Chapel in the morning, very encouraging sermon from Chas. D. my dear husband enjoyed it much, spoke to W. & afterwards, in the evening, my dear husband brought for some a ray of light and comfort, for he has not been very much cast down lately. — Next returned home in the evening I stayed the week a very trying time indeed, W. & I went home on Sunday came again on Wednesday W. Smith & Eliza came the same day arrangements were at length made with W. J. Port respecting Chas. D. chapel, thought for a little while, on Saturday morning a paper from Bruce, never shall we forget this day, my dear husband came in the evening, W. Thompson at night, may be he enabled to have some plan for dear Father

July 1844

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning and evening, very blessed discourse in the evening, I and Ben<sup>t</sup> started off home after chapel at 9 o'clock with respecting the danger we had to encounter here too it is, we know not what we have been doing, Oh the uncertainty of all things here below, this week and this night have proved it indeed; upon arriving within five miles of Wymondham we met a surgeon heavily laden, the horse took fright, started off some distance, and began kicking in a furious manner, my dear husband to length succeeded in checking it when a man caught her head we instantly jumped out behind, and after recovering ourselves, we proceeded onward on foot, the person (W. Jackson) and Ben<sup>t</sup> leading the horse, myself following behind, we reached home about twelve with a little galled with the alarm but with it was indeed an uncomfortable survey we were not both killed; the pig very much injured.

August 1844

Saturday Aug 5<sup>th</sup> I went to Leicester, W. Engin took me in his gig very heavy storm before we arrived. — I stayed a fortnight, Henry Gave came for a few days, very uncomfortable and trying time, the sleep business in a most unsettled state; W. Thompson came several times, respecting day after day something would be settled, it is indeed a great mercy to be enabled to place our whole trust and confidence in the Almighty for he alone can support us in every trial and with in his own good time make a way of escape, may the Lord give us help from trouble for now is the help of man. — Dear Mother in very low spirits I persuaded her to return with me on Monday 10<sup>th</sup>, Thomas drove us, arrived about twelve; Ann was very much better for the change, had some pleasant walk and rides together, stayed until the 12<sup>th</sup> of Sept<sup>r</sup>, very nervous and poorly the latter part of her visit.

September 1844

Sept 1<sup>st</sup> The beginning of this month we shall not easily forget for Mother still with us, expected W. & M. Thompson on Thursday<sup>s</sup> important business detained them at Leicester, letter from C. which very much distressed dear Mother. — Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> The sheep business at length settled, Miss Mary W. Port had no time for preparation, they are glad that the matter has thus terminated. — Our dear Mother much cast down, may the Lord grant submission to his sovereign will, and although it is indeed a great trial, may we be enabled to acknowledge his all-wise hand; and may that support and comfort be granted to our dear parents promised to those who follow the Lord, granting strength equal to the day. — Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> An interesting change in our little chapel, John Wade absent occasioned by his disengagement with the sermon read by W. Hart & W. F. Palmer; on the following Sunday he was also absent.



September 1844

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Miss Charlotte Towell arrived home with her pet, Mr. Gosse. They invited us to dinner on Sunday, and spent Monday evening with us.  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Thus day we chat over remembrance with pleasure, being favoured with the company of our dear Minister, he arrived for breakfast, afterwards I walked with him to Mr. Waster, we dined together. Benj<sup>r</sup> did not come home until 8 o'clock, he spoke very freely to Mr. C. and enjoyed his society exceedingly, many his sensible conversation he thought very profitable upon our minds. Our welcome visitor left us after breakfast the following morning.  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> We felt disappointed Mr. C. & Mr. I but more again disappointed.  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> My dear Henry arrived in the morning quite unexpectedly which we were at home, Miss Hope with us, on Wednesday 23<sup>th</sup> we took a survey of the town & walked to Weston. They left by the coach for Leicester at half past one.

September 1844

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Brother Joe and Stephen Chapman came for dinner. I walked with Joe to South in the morning, they returned together after tea, Mr. Hope came for tea.  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Mr. Follen called, had a long conversation respecting the Anti-Slavery cause, he declines taking a part in the service, we felt it exceedingly, as the subjects he read have often proved a comfort to my dear husband and myself also; on the 28<sup>th</sup> John Wile opened a meeting at his own house, we attended the chapel in the morning, but in the afternoon we were there; These things cause us some uneasiness as we have often enjoyed meeting together may we be enabled to have it with the Lord, and seeking closer communion with him, knowing he hath promised to be a little satisfying to his people wherever they are.  
Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> My dear husband dined out with this morning, after breakfast he read 22 of Job, and was sweetly led forth in prayer, and was blessed with true peace.

October 1844

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> My dear husband very freely during the week with cold, one short he had Mr. Edwards; by his desire I wrote this morning, it has indeed been a blessed time before breakfast he felt much concern respecting the chapel, together with many doubts and fears but he has no part in the best things, afterwards we read and joined in prayer, the Almighty granting that grace which is a throne of grace which ever brings peace and comfort, we do indeed feel truly grateful for this token of grace.  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Several friends came quite unexpectedly, Mr. C. Billings from London & long standing debt settled; Mr. S. W. Dutton afterwards arrived followed by John Weston they all stayed dinner; my dear husband in somewhat good spirits, enjoyed the young people much.  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Charlotte and Mr. Hand came by the afternoon coach, very glad to see them, on Thursday went to Wallston with them, returned home for dinner, with very good sport, & brace of birds.

October 1844

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Went to Stratford, Mr. Benson Lower, Benj<sup>r</sup> rode grey, saw Burlington House which at the time, breakfasted together, rather wet day but fine for our ride, then and home again.  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Benj<sup>r</sup> Mr. Hand and Mr. Benson went to Wallston and Wallston, rabbit catching, brought home 10 couples, very wet day for the sport, still they enjoyed it and returned home in glorious good spirit.  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Charlotte, Henry Hand and I started off to Stratford, arrived there in afternoon quite unexpectedly, very kindly welcomed, intended to return on Wednesday could not on account of rain, reached home on Thursday for dinner, enjoyed our trip much; found that Benj<sup>r</sup> had been very poorly in our absence, still he appeared well. Mr. Hand and Charlotte stayed until Wednesday, but 6<sup>th</sup> travelled home together by coach, a very pleasant time, but the weather for the most part unsavourable.



November 1844

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Friday: John Ogden and Mr. Denton came in this afternoon, very dear husband in good spirits, intending to go to Glasgow next morning, but about 12 o'clock at night was taken very ill, evidently from indigestion with which he, about 4 I called Mary we made a fire and gave him some tea sent for Mr. Edwards at 5, he stayed till 7, throughout which we were to spend the medicine relieved him, but still to get up the whole of Saturday and Sunday, on Monday rather better, some of the fever passed, Mr. Fields with came in the morning from Pabham slept here Tuesday and dear husband decidedly better Mr. G. arrived again from Boston at night. Wednesday Mr. Ogden came which with Saturday, on Friday Mr. & Mr. Doctor and child came for tea, on Saturday my dear husband returned with Mr. Edwards took him to dinner in fine day, very pleasant day for his spirit going out.

November 1844

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Defied to very happy day together with beloved husband was able to spend some time in reading to me in the morning; his mind much improved with the words of Jesus. "Lord thou hast been most mercifully led forth in prayer and the Almighty was pleased to grant a sweet revival of the begun work in his heart. The first week has ended here to write nothing one of our but I would desire to acknowledge with gratitude the goodness of the Lord in thus restoring me to health husband to health. Monday 18<sup>th</sup> My dear husband much better able to go to Pabham, and Boston, intended to leave for a short time on Thursday but was prevented, Mr. Edwards being here. Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> St. Andrew's dear husband started off, the long talk of journey, he went to Walsingham in ship, he returned faster, he left the same time with Mr. G. to see him where I arrived at 12. Robert at home he returned to Boston on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct after an absence of nearly 2 years.

December 1844

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dear nurse had the privilege of hearing our dear Minister, very happy day. Benjamin arrived on Saturday evening. Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> My dear husband left for Boston at 5, Mr. Doctor with him to the Station then spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the same. Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> proceeded to Stratford, Mr. Adams just arrived there; Benf came to Leicester on Friday night, the following day made several calls. Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Truly blessed day, chapel morning but evening, dear we be very much thankful in being thus but so highly to receive the same of the people. Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Benjamin returned home, on Sabbath to Fingby, from thence by coach I found the whole of the week, travelled home on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> with Mr. Law, very happy day, truly thankful to arrive safely and here at our peaceful home. Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards visited with us did not expect him, with which he left at 6, went with Mr. Selig in ship.

December 1844

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas day, found the family party at Stratford. (Apr) Mr. Adams then did not expect to see them, we spent the night and arrived home at 11 next morning. Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Went to Mr. Ogden to dinner off Friday, Mr. Hopkins he joined us at the first did expect a party. Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Had a fine young friend to tea I brought him and his sister, with Mr. Law and Mr. G. Paper, Mr. L. with joined the party. Ogden we have to read the good news and survey of you in guiding and protecting us through a stormy sea, how numerous have been the blessings received and although the Almighty has been pleased to appoint us a share of trouble and anxiety, it has only been to prove his faithful and power to deliver, may our hearts be glad with gratitude to the Father of all good in thanksgiving to you of grace, and may we be led to place our whole trust and confidence in Him who alone gives life in trouble and peace, preserve us from every evil.



Memorandums  
for 1845  
January

January 1<sup>st</sup> 1845. Dr. busy at Bank. John came to dinner at Edwards', had tea with us, talked of selling the seat in  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dr. went to Springfield, did not return home until Saturday, being selling greatly accounts.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> A truly blessed day, met at John Wades in the morning, the text was "they that sorrow shall be comforted." "Succoring them who are mourners in Zion the subject blessed with power to say that the Lord sweetly spurring me of my adoption into that blessed family of mourners."

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Robert came with Mr. Lane to spend a little time with us, our ground grey became lame, how unfortunate is my dear husband with horses!

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Mr. S. Bell dined with us, had the foreign rabbit, very delicious it was.

January 1845

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Dr. and Robert went to Dr. Wades in the evening and on Friday to Dr. Edwards', he dined with us until

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> when he returned home with Mr. Lane. Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edmunds dined with us late, he was in the kitchen.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Dr. at Chatham, went on to Milton at night, being a pair at both towns, he very unfortunatly lost his pocket book, it was found by a person on the road who brought it to him the next day, brought a horse to Milton.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> My dear husband and Mr. Lane dined at Beaumont Chase, Mr. Deane was to have been there, but was hastily called to London.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Called to see poor Sarah Aldrich she lent me a letter to read from T. A. not very well in the evening.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Very frosty night, did not see till 2 o'clock, dreadfully sick and faint.

Mr. Edwards came in the evening, never can I forget the kindness and attention of my affectionate husband. Dr. Wades came at night.

January & February 1845

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Rather better, in bed nearly all day, Miss Hope came in the evening, very high wind and snow.

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Dr. travelled with Mr. Lane to Milton, twelfth morning for them.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Snow continued, sharp frosty nights, Dr. went to Springfield, the Mrs. Lane herself, sent for veterinary, wrote to John requesting him to send another horse.

Saturday Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> A truly blessed day, did not go out, very beloved, had to me, sorrow but not by Miss Wades, the News Lord was pleased to grant us his precious presence bestowing upon us, that sweet peace, love and joy which he alone can give.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dr. rode his new horse, sent grey to Rochester.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Mr. Sumner came to dinner and stayed all night, expected Mr. Edmunds, he was here, but did not stay dinner.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Dr. went to Rochester, visited the stock, & discussed some last year, may there be an increase next.



February 1845

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards and Mr. Morris  
dinner with us, incident with the preaching  
Mr. H. stayed tea.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> I went with Mr. Lane to Limerick.  
Miss Ward there. Robert at Bellings' London.  
The weather still very cold, not snow.  
Near Dublin intended to be at Limerick on  
Sunday, business and the weather prevented.  
Miss Ward left on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>. The following  
Sunday my dear husband again started  
for Limerick at 5 in the morning, could  
get no further than Enniscorthy on account of  
the snow, he spent the day at Ballinacorney  
a great disappointment to us all. Mr. Morris  
with us, enjoyed the service in the  
evening very much indeed, ordinariness.  
On the Tuesday took tea with friend  
Marion, her gentle Mamma, she was in  
excellent spirits, may the event prove  
for her happiness.

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Returned to my dear home  
on a snow, a very cold day, called  
at Enniscorthy, reached home at 7 o'clock.

March 1845

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Mr. Towell went to Limerick  
brought poor John home. Mr. T. Sargent  
came with Mr. Lane, on Wednesday called  
with her upon J. Wills. Thomas D., talked  
of marriage affairs. Miss Lane came to tea.  
A. S. left on Thursday, with Mr. Lane.

The weather still exceedingly cold, a great deal  
of snow during Wednesday night, the thermometer  
2<sup>nd</sup> below freezing point.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Benj. went to Cahoon for  
very cold returning home, when shall we  
have the return of spring?

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Benj. Towell died. I was  
present at his last moments, very peaceful  
and easy death.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Went to Mr. Lane's to tea and  
supper. Mr. Hope to them, pleasant laugh  
after supper.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Benj. and myself went  
to Limerick in Mr. Lane's pony gig, arrived  
at 12 o'clock, weather rather pleasant, we all  
took a walk after dinner, called upon A. S.  
Mr. Norton there.

March 1845

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Benj. making calls all day  
A. S. and Mr. Norton came to tea.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Chapel morning and evening  
Mr. Norton went with us in the morning  
very excellent sermon from Isaiah 33. E. 29. we  
enjoyed much the sound of the gospel our  
sinner, coming last, came C. 21<sup>st</sup> verse.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Benj. returned home early, took  
Mr. Lane's pig part of the way, then rode the rest.

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Returned home with Mr. Lane,  
not seeing Benj. at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards came to dinner  
very pleasant and pleasant. Benj. had  
some conversation respecting his own private  
affairs. Mr. E. appeared much pleased.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Went to the little meeting  
at J. S. took a walk afterwards with  
Mr. S. Miss Lane, a day for March winds.  
There ends another month, very little  
appearance of spring at present, found  
a very few violets on the Boston road  
the first I have seen this season.  
we have indeed had six months winter.

April 1845

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Commenced Florence's parenting  
with A. Lane, finished them on Thursday  
succeeded very well.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Benj. went to Ballinacorney to  
breakfast, did not return until 12 o'clock.  
C. Bellings' affair, very bad sick headache.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Very ill all day, before 11 o'clock  
came on in the night, had Mr. Edwards,  
in bed the whole of the day.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Very little better, got up in the  
afternoon, the meeting at Mr. Gumbles, Mr. W.  
satisfied. Benj. attended morning and afternoon.

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Mr. Doctor came over in the  
morning, staid an hour, myself still very  
poorly, did not get up until 1 o'clock.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> My old friend A. S. married  
today, may the change prove for her  
comfort and happiness receive cards.

Mr. S. Mr. Norton passed through on their  
way to Limerick, staid there until Thursday.  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Benj. rode over to Ballinacorney in  
the evening, took C. Bellings' account, caught  
up business as he returned.



April 1845

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> With a grateful heart I desire to acknowledge the goodness of God in again restoring me to health, thinking of leaving home for a short time to have a visit at Grantham during Mr C's stay there, pray it be a pleasant time and prove for some spiritual good.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Started for Grantham, travelled from here to Thurgate by the morning coach inside, dined with Mr Goldsmith, then proceeded outside, reached Grantham at half past four, Mr C. had arrived for dinner, received a hearty welcome.

The children were joyful with the prospect. Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> A lovely & blessed day, very encouraging sermon in the morning from Rev. J. H. 12<sup>th</sup> verse, in the evening from Luke 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> verses, the week ended with much joy to my soul, time it is indeed a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, causing our path to shine more and more unto perfect day, like the dear Lord give them opportunity of hearing the sound of the precious gospel.

April & May 1845

Monday, The people assembled for prayer in the morning, the usual party for tea in the evening, Mr W. &c.

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Mr Pickering came for dinner Chapin in the evening. Ev. Prayers 3 C. 6 v. Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Mr C. left, enjoyed his company much, very blessed time, may his truly excellent remarks and conversation be deeply imprinted on my mind.

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Very glad to perceive the wind change to the south, the weather hitherto having been very cold, sometimes much and pleasant for several days, with refreshing showers.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Very greatly surprised in the afternoon by the arrival of my dear husband quite unexpectedly, delighted to see him.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Chapin morning and afternoon, walked in garden, telegraph room, staying at Mr C's he came to dinner, Mrs T. called in the evening.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Rather cold, and showery, kept walking with us in morning, took a ride with Mr C in the afternoon.

May 1845

Tuesday May 6<sup>th</sup> My dear husband left in the morning for Milton. I went with Mr H. and Mr C. to Bedford for dinner in City, dined in the house, most blessed discourse from Isaiah 44<sup>th</sup> & 45<sup>th</sup> verses, what an unspeakable mercy it is to be enabled to believe that we are the seed which the Lord hath planted.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Went to Bedford after tea, the rain very dull, it is indeed pleasing to see & survey the time after the water of life, still more wonderful that one so entirely unworthy should thus be brought to enjoy its blessings.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Travelled to Leicester by the afternoon coach, Eliza and Papa were very much surprised, he did not come.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Dear Benj. came in the evening, very glad to see him, I called upon Mr C. He decided to visit us on the following Wednesday, called at the Bell, Miss B. and Mr C. very rich, felt very much the state of Mr L. Hermitage.

May 1845

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Chapin in the morning, very encouraging sermon from Rev. J. H. 12<sup>th</sup> verse, my dear husband enjoyed it exceedingly. He returned home in the afternoon, 3 C. 6 v.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Returned home by the afternoon coach, after an absence of three weeks, happy indeed to be once more with my beloved husband.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Mr C. came by the afternoon coach, in the breakfast room for tea, very pleasant and encouraging conversation, dined down stairs, stayed all night, read after breakfast, 1 C. 6 v. left at 11 o'clock, enjoyed his company much. My dear husband went to Oakham, meeting of the Directors, dined with them.

Arrived at Grantham during Mr C's absence. Papa and Eliza went to London & Brighton. Eliza stayed at Dover Street, on her return. The chapel at Leicester closed and painted. Robert again thinking of leaving England. Mr C. saw kindly interested himself on his behalf and obtained a passage with a captain who was well known to him.



June 1845

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Expected our old friend Sara by the coach, she was not there, came with Mr. Lane.  
 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> very glad indeed to see her once more and receive her good wishes, arrived at 9 o'clock.  
 Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Had a pleasant walk in the park in the morning, talked over other times etc.  
 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Busy morning in the morning Mr. Edwards and Whitley called, first introduction.  
 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Expected Miss Livingston to see she could not come, waited to receive Mr. Foster, Mr. Edwards dined with us, walked to System in the evening, Mr. & Miss came to tea.  
 Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning and afternoon, very dear husband conversed very pleasantly after chapel in the morning, read to us in the evening.  
 Monday 9<sup>th</sup> The absence of poor Mr. West has his daughter took place at 11 o'clock in the morning, Mr. & Miss on the 4<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards on the 5<sup>th</sup> & with affecting sight, may these solemn warnings lead us seriously to contemplate and prepare for our latter end.  
 Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Called upon poor Mr. West, it is justifying evident to see how he resigned and peaceful; was able to be shown stairs.

June 1845

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Sara had a note from Mr. Edwards' friend, my dear husband on the same, went to Huddington, Mr. Edwards came to supper.  
 Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Had company for dinner, Mr. Weston, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Dickinson & Mr. Edwards, then went to his house to smoke cigars, came again to tea.  
 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Went to Lough in the afternoon Mr. & Miss had Miss Livingston with us, had tea Mr. & Miss went with us to the Park, walked round the grounds, and over the house, my good husband on horseback, he went on to Huddington, exceedingly warm going, very pleasant returning home.  
 Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Very beautiful day, walked in the morning, Mr. & Miss came in the evening, learned to sleeping room for dinner.  
 Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Mr. Goldsmith went over to Stoke in the morning, (Chapel as usual) he returned for dinner, talked over bible proofs, music & singing in the evening.  
 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Mr. Goldsmith left after breakfast Sara shot her excellent horse, very warm day, walked on Salom Lane, returned happy, enjoying my dear friends company very much.

June 1845

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Mr. Goldsmith came again to stand in Mr. Wells absence, Sara and I went to Stoke, had tea, very much, exceedingly warm, Mr. & Miss very kind, delighted with the dear children, home at 11.  
 Mr. & Miss went over after business, Miss at Huddington.  
 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Mr. Goldsmith came to dinner, provided us with several songs, left in the evening.  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Went to Huddington, Mr. & Miss Livingston with us, then Whitley then Dr. on horseback, walked over the Park grounds & stayed supper, home at 11 o'clock, it was raining.  
 Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Chapel as usual, Mr. & Miss there in the morning, he called afterwards.  
 Monday, Went to Huddington to tea, Miss Broughton & then, had tea in the kitchen.  
 Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards called in the morning to see the children, presented bouquet to Sara.  
 Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Sara had a note from Mr. & Miss, joined them, he called afterwards.  
 Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Called upon J. Wades, walked afternoon.  
 Mr. Edwards called in the evening, music & singing.  
 Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Expected Mr. & Miss Weston to see, they could not come on account of rain, Mr. Edwards came and Mr. & Miss.  
 Mr. Edwards called in the evening, music & singing.

June & July 1845

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Party for tea, Miss Lane, Broughton & then, Mr. & Miss, music & singing.  
 Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Chapel as usual, read lesson in the morning, pleasant converse.  
 Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Walked to Huddington in the morning, Miss & Miss to Huddington in the evening, we walked to Stoke, home at 11 o'clock.  
 Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> John Mr. Edwards called to examine feet, had position etc. on the 4<sup>th</sup> of day.  
 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> much better, Sara & Miss went to Huddington, stayed until Friday night.  
 Sara and I walked to Stoke, presented the children, then ladies there, very warm returning.  
 Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Walked in the morning, Mr. Edwards came, walked to System with us, such had tea.  
 Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Chapel as usual, Miss & Miss read to us.  
 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Called at Huddington in the morning, walked afterwards, Mr. & Miss called, Mr. Edwards in the morning brought to sing.  
 Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Walked in the afternoon, returned to J. to Stoke, caught in a shower.  
 Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Haymaking in the field near our house, we joined them, talked the spread with tea, Mr. Edwards brought his horse.



July 1845

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Went on town in the morning  
Mr. Swann, children, and Miss Swann's father,  
Bampf. went to Walsaton, we went to Dean's  
garden, there some plants, Edward sent them.  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> The day for Sam's departure, very wet  
morning, Sam came down she was to have, at  
length decided for Sam Whaley to drive us to  
Lough, Mr. Edwards accompanying us, arrived  
the whole of the way, with Charles, and  
a merry drive. Bampf. and Mr. C. went on to  
Walsaton, we arrived at night at Lough.  
18<sup>th</sup> Bampf. drove us to Leicester on the Saturday.  
Sam stayed at Walsaton Place with us until  
Sunday, Bampf. came on the Saturday evening  
converse with Sam & Mr. W. he returned home  
in the afternoon, I remained for a few days.  
Mamma returned home with us on  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Papa drove us to Lough when we  
had tea, very beloved husband met us with  
our new carriage. I rode behind myself so much.  
Mamma stayed until the end of the month  
very pretty and nervous the whole of the time.  
In the evening Mr. Edwards, the weather was still  
and showers, quite unusual for July.

August 1845

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Papa came with Bampf. from Walsaton  
stayed until Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup> he such  
Mamma returned home together by coach.  
Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Home arrived that Bampf. was safely  
delivered of a little boy at 8 o'clock in the morning.  
August 1<sup>st</sup> Our friend Mr. Edwards brought with  
him first born, a girl, afterwards named Charlotte.  
Bampf. saw it from a glimpse to its parents.  
Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> Bampf. went to Walsaton,  
forgot to leave key, when he returned Papa &  
Mamma had left, the first evening we have  
been alone since May.  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Papa & very happy with Bampf.  
sweet without complaining, it is indeed a comfort  
not to be obliged to show about the pleasure  
but to find our real happiness consists in  
the enjoyment of each other's company.  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards dined with us.  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> We went to the spa with our husband  
journey to Walsaton, came home with through.  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Mr. George Best called in the  
evening, enjoyed his conversation exceedingly  
with Mr. Swann about Mr. Papa and the state  
the weather rather more pleasant.

August 1845

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> My dear husband went to Walsaton  
to attend at the fair, accompanied Mr. Bampf.  
in his gig started at 8 o'clock, Mr. Edwards then  
the dear home, could not see her.  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Robert Papa came for dinner  
conversation respecting his leaving home, may  
my dear husband be able to succeed.  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May we never forget this truly  
happy day, very beloved husband's presence  
with a sweet mixture of the holy spirit,  
enabling him to hope and believe in Christ  
as his Saviour and Redeemer, how saintly  
trifling are all earthly things when compared  
to these moments of heavenly joy & peace.  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Bampf. went to Lough in the  
evening respecting Robert leaving, a scene  
he will not easily forget, succeeded in  
persuading him to leave, and promised very  
kindly to assist him forward on good terms.  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Bampf. went to Walsaton, converse  
about Robert, the whole of the family were  
especially his mother, ought indeed to feel  
greatly indebted to our good husband  
for a kindly exerting himself.

September 1845

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Bampf. and Mr. Edwards went to  
Mr. Parsons of Lichington in the evening.  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Very pleasant day for my dear  
husband's journey, the present change is  
indeed a great blessing to the country.  
Bampf. bought a horse of Mr. Jones.  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> My dear husband and myself  
went over to Walsaton to dine at Mr. Morris's  
then ladies exceedingly pleasant, 1/2 of dinner  
arrived home at half past 12. Mr. Jones here.  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Large party of dinner, grand  
dine at Walsaton, presence of husband and wife.  
Mr. & Mrs. Weston came with their children.  
Mr. White with two, and Mr. Papa son & wife  
dined at 1 o'clock tea at 3, after which we  
started with them to Leicester.  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Spent the day at Walsaton Place,  
very good sermon in the morning from Rev.  
8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Mr. Williams of Walsaton there.  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Went to see Robert at the mill  
with my dear husband, called at Walsaton and  
the Mills, Mr. Thompson came, we returned  
home in the evening arrived at 8 o'clock  
very pleasant visit, kindly entertained.



September 1845

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> My birthday, received kind present of a purse from Elsie, very pleasant day walked to Syston, & around the gardens.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Papa & quite happy such commenced the large painting. Miss of home. Miss from Elsie writing us to join them in a tour to Maltrick, after some consideration I consented, Miss could not come on account of Mr Edwards & L. both being from home.

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Traveled to Leicester by coach arrived there at 4, Elsie and Mr Hand met me, very warm reception.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Started for Maltrick at 10 o'clock, arrived at Derby at 1, went to the Abbot's church afterwards, arrived at Maltrick at 6 took lodgings at Mr Sactons, Museum Room.

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Grantham, I stayed at Leicester until  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> the 6<sup>th</sup> I came to Wyppingham  
with me, travelled by afternoon coach  
delighted indeed to see my dear Hubby again.  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Henry Hand came by Mail  
from Manchester at half past 8 did not  
expect him so early, left his baggage  
to come by next coach, by mistake it  
was sent on to Leicester.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> I went with Cholly and  
Sam to Braumont, on a shooting excursion  
shot a fine hare, as well as the two much

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Henry's Birthday. Mr. W. & Mr. Hope were off dinner, on Thursday. Henry had a hair shooting at Bathington. Sir John Pollock very anxious respecting the Treasurer's place, having come forward as a candidate, & was he successful.

Monday 20th Day of October, Mr. Lyden went  
to Bathum with our dear household, soon  
arrived at 12, that Mr. Lyden had gained  
the victory, a general rejoicing, Conservation Club,  
and Silver Spoon & etc. Victory! Victory!

October 1845

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Party of quite a number viz  
Mr. Peterson, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Olmsted & Mr. Pelt  
arrived at 5. Supper at 9. Pleasant evening.  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Rose Hand left by the stage  
in the morning to Langford. Mr. Goldsmith  
travelled with him. Early rather dull.  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> The whole returned home by the  
regular coach. How very nice and comfortable  
and safe we once more have been, quite and  
truly happy, enjoying each others society.  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Spent the last few days  
of the month very happily at our  
dear home, nothing very particular  
occurred, continued the sewing very  
busily in Room, the weather very  
pleasant for the time of year.  
How many scenes and happenings  
we are truly receiving, some our  
hearts are filled with gratitude to  
him who of all people who have  
bestowed summer's goodness upon us  
so mercifully.

November 1845

Nothing worthy of note occurred during the commencing part of this month.

Mr. Hammond dined with us on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Slater brought a plan of a house, for Mr. L's inspection.

March 28<sup>th</sup> Thursday, Got off on our long  
sabbath of journey, left home at 9. Drove  
to Taylor, then back to the river. Bought  
ride to New Market to see "the Mount"  
followed the bounds some distance  
and left his horse at Wallston, crossed  
the river, & returned to Taylor, the four  
hills in the D. S. garden, we dined at  
Taylor, then drove to Wallston again.  
and took up our abode for the night.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Prof. & Mr. Doane joined a  
rounding party, I and Mr. Doane walked  
to Blatton, all returned home for dinner  
at 4, Mr. Smithson, Mr. J. Jewell and Mr. Spencer  
called in the evening.  
Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. Doane accompanied  
us to Lewisburg in their carriage, dined with  
us at Walnut Place, they returned home  
in the afternoon.

November & December. 1845

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> - A perfect morning but raining  
over noon but the privilege of having  
the sunset of the perfect perfect, since  
I've been here much more often.

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Mr Thompson came here with  
to meet Mr Boston & Taylor. Smith with  
us. B. has some private conversation with  
Mr T. in the evening.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Left Louisville at half past  
8. At Birmingham arrived there at 2.15  
J. Ogden Jones, Danish pastor, he left afternoon  
went to the Paper Mill where we were  
employed before in a box, private evening session  
8.00

Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup>. Mr. Benson called, went with him to call upon Mr. Wakeman from there to the Courthouse, then to the gallery of the State St. B. & Mr. W. dined with us, Mr. W. left after tea, had a walk after tea by gas light went to Mr. Benson's apartment room.

Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup> Mr Benson called, took us  
to the Tavern Hall, & Market Hall, Bury.  
J. J. went to a sale of horses, we went  
to Collier's rooms, returned home for lunch  
then went to Salisbury, returned home <sup>ca.</sup>



December 1845

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Continued. I went at 3 left  
at 5 by coach, Prof. outside, very wet  
ride, arrived at Chesham at 8 J. Adams  
met us, Mr. Adams & children, arrived at my  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Called upon Mr. Cox in the <sup>house</sup>  
and went to the Church, also had a  
pleasant walk; after dinner walked  
to the Spa, had tea on our return,  
supper with Mr. & Mrs. Cox & family.  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. C. & family came to  
breakfast, we took our departure at 10  
by coach outside, very pleasant morning  
visited the drive house, arrived at Hemm  
about 12, travelled by train to Hemm  
arrived at 2 p.m. just in time for dinner  
very kindly received, found all well.  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Chapel in the morning Mr. C.  
at Chesham, E. W. Smith with us, we  
left after dinner, pleasant drive, had  
tea at Engle, arrived at Weymouth at 8  
very beautiful but had to reach  
our peaceful home in safety, most  
enjoyable journey in the old song.  
So place like home.

December 1845

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Set to work at our printing  
house Prof. very busy, after his long  
absence, brought letters home to read  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> in which I spent.  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards came on business  
but did not stay dinner.  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> I took a winterly drive  
for some time sometimes driving to Chesham  
arrived in the morning, exceedingly  
cold, arrived in the afternoon of the day.  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Prof. busy at Bank, H. & S.  
C. Hope called in the evening.  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas day. Went to Wallate  
started at 10, very pleasant morning, with  
such rather damp. Mr. & Mrs. J. Adams there &  
the whole of the family except Jane & her  
husband, Mr. & Mrs. Cox & Miss Weston there.  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> The girls went over the farm  
in the morning I did not go out, the  
same party for dinner, Miss in the evening  
they all stayed until Monday, we left  
on Monday morning arrived home at 12  
J. Adams was with us on business, he  
returned to Wallate for dinner.

### Family Ages.

Name	Birthday	Years
Robert Cox	Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup>	17 69
James Cox	Aug. 11 <sup>th</sup>	17 71
Prof. Cox	Aug. 4 <sup>th</sup>	17 75
Martin Cox	Sept. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	17 80
Ann Cox	Aug. 19 <sup>th</sup>	17 84
Prof. Cox Son: died	Aug. 12 <sup>th</sup>	1812 age 78
Mr. Cox Son: died	Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup>	1813 age 70

### Memoranda for 1846 January

January 1<sup>st</sup> 1846. My dear husband went to  
Stanford, arrived before he went at 2 o'clock  
started in good spirits, returned home on  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> in the evening, very busy time  
at work until 3 on Thursday morning.  
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> First in the morning, very cold  
out-jot about at Chesham, the text was.  
"I have one, before I go home but he is now"  
comparing our short life to an empty thing.  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Prof. went to Chesham, the  
day on which Clark & Phipps divided.  
Some friend, Mr. Edwards there, very busy.  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Mutton given, Prof. started at  
6 in the morning, arrived there at night,  
returned home on Tuesday evening.  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Hope came to spend  
a little time with us, very pretty weather  
with cold at first, but Mr. Edwards on the  
Sunday, ordered some remedies and sent  
medicines, better on Monday, did not go out  
much calls on Tuesday, Mr. Stokes & Sons came  
on business on Wednesday morning.



January 1848

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Letter from Charlotte saying  
her last hand from Robert, the first  
time since he sailed in July 25.  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Ogden left us in the morning  
when she started but arrived afterwards  
sick very much better, drove herself in p.m.  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Received a fine copy of a  
friend from Mr. Broughton of W. Mass.  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Mr. W. W. Smith with us,  
enjoyed the visit much according to his custom.  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Mr. Thompson with us in the evening  
from Mr. Wells. Arrived tea.  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Mrs. W. W. Smith with us off  
to her (Miss) school. Mrs. Ogden staying with us.  
The latter commenced writing, but was  
satisfied afterwards. These the first month  
of another year has quickly passed away  
we have not what changes we have felt  
before next January, now our first desire  
is to grow in grace and in the knowledge  
of Christ our Saviour, having all events  
in the hands of Him who directs all  
for the good of His chosen ones.

February 1846

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May we were present the morning  
of this day. Our dear husband said to me  
Joy of Faith. Went to Mass. The dear Lord was  
present to give each of us, with his presence  
granting a sweet & powerful sense of his  
presence here to our souls, our hearts over-  
flowing with love and gratitude for these  
unspeakable mercies, enjoying that perfect  
peace which passeth all understanding.  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Received Robert's letter, written  
to his father from Bowdoin, where he had  
arrived on the 7<sup>th</sup> of Feb. from father, he  
has indeed encountered many dangers,  
a second meeting on board, but he has  
not, may be, he has to acknowledge the  
goodness of God in these preserving him  
hitherto, and that these changes may  
by the blessing of God work a powerful  
change in his heart, that he may be  
brought from darkness to light, from the  
power of Satan into God, for with Him  
all things are possible. Such are indeed  
the desires of my heart.

February 1848

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> My dear husband came home early  
intending to go to Hallowell, leaving John  
from home, he went to England instead.  
Mr. Dexter here very busy making fresh pairs.  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Mr. W. W. Smith with us, he  
stayed all night, left us for Hallowell on Sunday morning, he  
took Mr. Ogden to his room on Monday.  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Nature more the appearance of  
winter, very cold but snow in the afternoon.  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Snow fast but snow all night  
the first time we have seen the snow and  
frost in this winter.  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> The snow quite disappeared.  
My dear husband went to Hampden at brother  
Wendell's of the Church of Christ, returned home  
about 6 in the evening, decision respecting  
Mr. Hales' house, Prof. Smith with the Smiths.  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Valentine's still in vapor, Mr. W.  
could not get them from Hallowell in his little  
town, we had him for breakfast & tea.  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Mrs. W. W. Smith and her brother  
spent the evening with us, had some music.

March 1846

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Prof. had a visit before breakfast  
with Mr. Edwards and Mr. Cochran to try a  
new horse, which Mr. C. bought off of Ogden.  
Mr. Edwards also exchanged them, the horses  
were going to Canada for  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Prof. very poorly, pains in joints  
showing of it but took Mr. Edwards, who  
gave remedies, better in the morning  
did not go out, much better on Monday  
went to Oakham as usual.  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Mr. and Mrs. Dexter came over  
in the morning, stayed dinner, left at 3 o'clock.  
March 3<sup>rd</sup> Prof. went to Boston, before met  
him there, respecting Gas Stairs, Chubb at  
Charterfield.  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> John breakfasted with us on  
his return from Cambridge, spent  
him on the previous evening.  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Very much engaged with very large  
printing, seeking to complete it before my  
springtime visit. Spent the month very  
quietly at our happy home, Mr. Hales  
brought the plates for our inspection.



March & April. 1846

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Edwards dined with us and stayed all night, conversed with Dr. Potter respecting the house, decided to take it.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Letter from Robert stating the particulars of his voyage, again encountered great dangers, whether he heard, & shot of western porpoise and Greening, saw the mouth of the

April 10<sup>th</sup> good Friday. Miss: went to Wilketon  
to spend the day. I should have accompanied  
her but having been a good deal of time the  
ground was exceedingly damp. Miss: at  
8 o'clock in afternoon went to visit them

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> - Being packing up and preparing to leave home for a short time, travelled to Leicester by coach, very to find Papa very poorly, suffering from asthma, mamma also very weak. Staid at Chestonhill; - remained at Leicester until Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> when I proceeded to Grantham by coach, very warm reception, spent a very pleasant time, was favoured with the company of our dear Minister, came on the 19<sup>th</sup> - and was enjoyed the sound of the gospel.

April 1846

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> - Chapel morning and evening  
with blessed discourse - from 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm, v. 20, 21, 22.  
This was indeed a time of confirming grace  
the word of God sweet abundantly to  
my soul. These times are indeed a feast  
of God things, and oh! how insignificant do  
the concerns of this poor vain world appear

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Henry Abigail to be from home  
the old ladies came to tea on the following  
evening instead, very pleasant converse—

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Chapel in the evening the seat  
was taken from

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Mr. C. left by the afternoon coach  
passed our town very pleasantly soothed.

Teaching etc. intended to leave on the 30<sup>th</sup>  
but Miss Smith persuaded me to stay  
until after Bothersgate street.

Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup> Chapel in the morning, 8<sup>th</sup>  
 meeting afterwards. I declined, was most  
 agreeably surprised by the arrival of my  
 beloved husband, accompanied us to chapel  
 in afternoon, we also went to Bible meeting  
 in the evening, enjoyed in much.

May 1844

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Capt. Cook on ride with Henry in the morning, afterwards to the office with us, to see the Hollanders papers, he left on Tuesday for Milton.

Thursday: - Went to Bethesda for dinner, met  
at the barn, sweet singing & discourse from Luke 16.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Drove to Nottingham in the evening  
the train crowded, exceedingly warm. J. Coll. 16. 27.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> journeyed to Leicester, left at 3 o'clock  
pleasant outside, chilly. L. W. met me at Reg.  
very kind reception. Papa very much better.  
Prof. intended to come on the Saturday but  
was prevented, obliged to be at Stamford on Mon.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Clear & warm morning and evening  
enjoyed the serene weather, regretted my dear  
husband was not home, Lth Boston 19. N. & E. John 17. 18

Thursday 14 Having spent a few days in Leicester  
very pleasantly I once more travelled homeward  
after an absence of nearly 3 months, very soon  
on my arrival to find my dear husband far  
from well, but then gradually for some time  
recovered by over exertion &c. &c. Anxiety from  
Mr Goldsmith leaving, may these changes  
prove for good in spirituals as well as temporal

May 1844

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Mr. J. Ogden - came over in the afternoon  
 May from south Sea, very dear husband - rather better  
 Sunday Mr. Off. Doctor came in the afternoon

to see my dear husband, still very poorly  
quite uncomfortable about him.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Conf<sup>o</sup> drove to Milton, meeting  
of the Directors, very excellent dinner. Conf<sup>o</sup>  
vice president. Divided up which he made  
a separate Branch, and of Conf<sup>o</sup> to have  
another check, may the change prove to  
my dear husband's advantage.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> My beloved Franz very much better. Wrote to Hallaton in the evening, the Mon., very beautiful weather, enjoyed it much.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Bongi had a drive with Mr. Edwards  
I called upon Miss Edwards, went to Jane's garden  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Mr. J. Ogden came in the afternoon  
stayed tea, Bongi to Stungah, did not see  
home with J. Bottom Ogden came with  
Mr. Law quite unexpectedly, spent Sunday  
with us, left on Monday morning.

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>. Mr & Mrs D. Jacques came to tea, they were passing through the town. Conf. at Milton.



June 1846

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> Finished the month very pleasantly  
accompanied my dear husband to Leicester, most  
beautiful morning, started at 3 o'clock arrived there  
before 8, Mrs. Mary Johnson with the sons of  
the foreman present, most encouraging welcome  
from 26 ladies & 30, the work powerful the light to my  
dear husband, & I am sure to be forgotten.

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June, Prof. engaged the whole of the  
day, according to season, we all went to the C's  
for tea, spent a very pleasant evening.

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Left Leicester at 6 for Milton, had  
breakfast at the Inn, spent the day with  
Mr. Burbridge, enjoyed it very much, arrived  
home in the evening, very pleasant home.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. Baker in the evening  
walked with us, in the following evening Prof.  
went to Leicester, I called upon Miss Roberts.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> The fourth anniversary of our  
wedding day, spent it very quietly at our  
dear home, attended the meeting as usual  
very happy recalling the numerous services  
received, for which we do extend thanks to  
our gracious God & Father in Christ Jesus.

June 1846

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards visited with his wife  
and family, most pleasant visit, the weather still very  
warm, rain very much wanted.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Went to Leicester with Mrs. Green  
in the evening, and left amongst the sheep.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Had a pleasant visit on husband  
went to Leicester, but enjoyed it much.

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> I spent day at our little town  
for School Speeches, Mr. Dutton came, we  
went to see them with Mr. Poyan, quite  
an opportunity of ladies enjoyed it much  
had cold dinner on our return at 4, Mr. J.  
left in the evening, dinner which at 8 o'clock.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. Dutton and family left  
the wife, very pleasant evening, enjoyed it.

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Prof. went to Oakham as usual,  
a very heavy storm just after he arrived  
home, Mr. Edwards came in the evening  
accompanied by the new clerk Mr. Burbridge,  
in important time for my dear husband,  
were the dinner given to his servants,  
and were our hearts full of joy with the  
to our kind friends & Father, which the subject is.

July 1846

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Continued showers since the 25<sup>th</sup>  
a most welcome change after the confinement  
heat, and very dry weather, now cool and  
pleasant, the country appearing beautiful  
after a drought, O that our hearts were thus  
be refreshed by the sweet influences of the  
Holy Spirit, even as the rain upon the tender  
herb and the dew upon the morning grass.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> My dear husband and I had  
very much occupied with the stock taking  
at work until after 1 o'clock, I sat up  
with them, had the books in the breakfast.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> My dear husband very busy with  
the books, balance correct, near the new clock  
continue to go on as well as he has begun.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Sister Chamberlain came by the  
evening coach, stopped at our house, Prof.  
at Oakham, wrote round by Tring, Mr. J.  
S. Adams came & Mr. Adams & family, the great.

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Prof. went to Milton, had  
a walk with both to Speeton, pleasant  
conversation, walked round the garden  
weather very pleasant indeed.

July 1846

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Went to Oakham Mr. Dutton drove  
the Lady to the Hall, visited and took tea  
with Mr. Dutton, rain in the afternoon.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Had a pleasant walk with  
both to Mr. Wiles garden in the evening.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Beautiful morning and afternoon  
both enjoyed the morning service much.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Accompanied my dear husband  
to Oakham, called upon Miss Wrench but  
did not at Mr. Morris's, the ladies very pleasant  
enjoyed their conversation much.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Miss Chamberlain arrived by  
the morning coach, Mr. J. Adams and child  
with Mr. Poyan came unexpectedly, spent  
the day with us, took a walk after tea.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Very acceptable rain during the  
day, cleared in the evening, had a short  
walk, Miss & I afterwards went to the garden.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Delightful after the rain  
went to Mount Pleasant, Miss with them  
and both home, my dear husband took  
us to Drington, called upon Mr. J. Adams.



July 1844.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning and evening  
 service pleasant, subject Woman in the  
 parable of the ten virgins. J. Fisher came in the  
 evening, service more pleasant than usual.  
 Monday 27<sup>th</sup> I enjoyed a pleasant walk with  
 Eliza in the lane, left with the school.  
 Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Enjoyed a ramble through  
 the wood, found with me both the Eliza  
 rode, called upon Mr. Woods, took lunch  
 home, very warm day, though pleasant.  
 Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday by season, busy  
 preparing for Mr. Edwards, he came with us.  
 Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> My dear husband left home  
 for a few days, to attend the Society of  
 we drove to Lyddington in the evening  
 saw the Rock house, Mr. Bryan not at home.  
 Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Drove to Stoke in the morning  
 called at the Rectory, Mr. Brown accompanied  
 us to the Church, took lunch, staid a little.  
 Saturday Spent the day quietly at home  
 very violent thunder storm in the evening  
 began at 8, continued until after midnight,  
 very violent also at Leicester.

August 1844

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapel in the morning, thunder  
 storm started and concluded in the chapel.  
 Rev. St. Leicester, returned home at 9.  
 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Eliza not so well as usual,  
 consulted Mr. Edwards, medicine ordered &  
 minister of patients, who change of diet.  
 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Our dear Father's birthday age  
 70, happy he enjoyed peace and comfort in  
 his, his latter days, Rev. St. Milton,  
 Papa, and Eliza & Henry then visited together  
 Eliza had a ride to Syston, Mr. Edwards  
 came in the evening.  
 Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Walked in the morning, staid  
 at 5, Rev. with us, enjoyed the Sabbath  
 sent us on Papa's birthday.  
 Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Drove off to day, intended to have  
 a drive in the evening, but Mr. & Mrs. Deane  
 and Jane Adams came, stayed till 8.  
 Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Very warm in the morning, prevented  
 us going to Syston, Rev. there as to Stoke  
 & L. & W. in the evening exceedingly clear.  
 Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Had a pleasant drive to Stoke  
 in the morning, very bright day.

August 1844

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Drove to Syston Chapel and  
 Lyddington in the morning, called upon Sister  
 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> I and Eliza had a walk in  
 the morning, Mr. Edwards called, Rev. went  
 to Stamford in the evening, unpleasant affair  
 with Mary, never can I place confidence in her again.  
 Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Vestry at Syston  
 my dear husband left home on the previous  
 evening, proceeded from Stamford next morning  
 accompanied by Mr. Edwards etc., staid at  
 Syston, reached Stamford again at night.  
 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Walked in the morning, very  
 pleasant day at Stamford, Rev. did not return  
 home until evening, called on Mary again.  
 Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Drove early and afternoon drove  
 to Syston, saw our brother etc. Rev. came  
 for tea, drove us home, very pleasant day.  
 Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Eliza & I's birthday, age 20, Chapel  
 morning and afternoon, looked over paper till.  
 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> I and Eliza had a pleasant drive  
 to Syston & Syston. Mr. & Mrs. Edwards and Mr. Edwards  
 took tea with us, musical evening, the ladies  
 played duets, Mr. & the organ.

August 1844

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Rev. at Milton, we had a very  
 pleasant drive to Kibworth, Syston & Syston.  
 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Called upon Mr. Edwards left the  
 ladies there to have a little music, wrote  
 several notes to country relatives etc., rather  
 showery day, not saw our Sunday quite  
 as usual, one should not be able to go to Syston.  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Rev. at Milton, larger fair  
 next morning, Mr. & C. busy packing etc. Mr. & Mrs.  
 J. Adams came unexpectedly in the afternoon  
 money business, thinking of leaving Stamford.  
 they left at 8, sent our horse to the wagon  
 meeting evening, Rev. obliged to go to Milton  
 with Frank Little. Rev. left home.  
 Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Started off to Leicester at 11 o'clock  
 Rev. drove us, on way, Eliza & I behind, not  
 lost walk, saw ground them on the road  
 gave him 40 pence at Leicester for tea.  
 Eliza (Henry then had two daughters, I had  
 came at night, my dear husband very ill  
 with violent headache, obliged to go to bed.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Adams called, unable to speak  
 to them, that have often a very pleasant man.



August 1849

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning both evening  
my dear husband both, truly blessed  
day, once more to have the friendship of  
hearing the sound of the precious Gospel  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Miss Chamberlain called in the  
morning, went to Brown with them, walked  
afterwards with Philip, Eliza & Marianne -  
Bess returned home in the afternoon  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Had a car to the Dane Hills  
beautiful day, took lunch in the fields  
the children enjoyed it much, called on  
Mr Chamberlain in the evening -  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Had a car to the Asher  
in the morning, took lunch, chapel in  
the evening - myself not very well  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> The day for departure, Eliza  
and children went by coach; I and Philip  
travelled to Weymouth, Chamberlain drove  
us, enjoyed the journey exceedingly, took  
tea at Exbury, went to Hake garden, Bess  
met us, we went on to Boker town, Mr Bunker  
came to meet us, arrived at 8 o'clock, were  
gladly to welcome dear Eliza to our peaceful  
Home, sweet Home.

Forget me not

These moments I never forget  
These absent longings sometimes grieve they tell  
About business letters in longish days  
These will not these they forget the story  
These will not from remembrance let  
The parting was in pledge & day  
Forget me not Forget me not

Of which with tears of love for thee  
Highly very sweetest eyes are met  
Of which very sweetest when I lie  
To think with ceaseless fond request  
These will not all over too forget  
These should be never to forget  
For every very heart knows yet  
Forget me not Forget me not

## Friendship

A friend in distress & lone heart sit  
To share the burden on another heart  
To ease the solitary thought the anxious fear  
To ease the solitary grief & ease the suffering care  
To with the various sorrow by reciprocal aid  
And giving a help in the depending need

These are Friendships true joys

## History

History with more dignity in prose  
than history with more in verse  
makes a more serious judgment than  
history which gives an estimate to  
time, brings forward without any  
bias and makes us see at the end  
and inference of History



## Wisdom

By wisdom is meant that satisfaction  
and enlargement of the mind which  
enables a man clearly to see, and  
understand, the things which  
concern his present, and future well  
being.

### Wisdom

Is allowed to the greatest  
gift of nature, and is often  
improved by

## Freedom

Freedom is the lovely guest  
And the source of sweet joy  
Which by the mind is felt —  
It makes the heart as free as air —  
It gives the mind to others —  
It is the only way to true  
And the only way to the highest place  
Who make the world a better place

## Then

### Poetics the Athenian

And we in further speech directed himself to the  
great minds and voices of his countrymen. He  
then addressed himself to his second audience  
thus "I shall advise you now for myself, and  
only to those nations that are prepared to govern  
us, follow your natural tendency, and through it  
your greatest communication with the world of your  
own or another's."

## Wit

Wit is like the butterfly  
(Says some the sentence comes,  
And leads the curious mind to  
To seek as well as shine)  
Gives like the flash of lightning light  
To the same, yet is a moment;  
Appears at once to the human mind bright  
And disappears when it comes



Oh  
Pity

And hush'd, & softly, & supinely, sigh:  
When sounds were calm the language of despair;  
Still on each breast universal transports flow;  
And on the tears that trace the cheek of care;  
How oft the voice who loves each summer morn  
Like the earliest morning wind is heard!  
When rising soul, & passions, & softer flights,  
When bosom melts with sweetest delight, &  
When thoughts elate with transports all withdrawn,  
Can ever at once beyond the vision of Time

1<sup>st</sup> Chapter of the second Quibble of  
John

6-7-95 Once more I breathe, long, not less thought  
I write a new commencement into this, but that  
which we have from the beginning, that we love  
me another

2<sup>nd</sup> Chapter of the second Quibble

6-17-95 Although the fog has shall not bloom,  
neither shall fruit be on the vine; the colour of  
the dew shall fade, and the fields shall gather no  
increase, the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and  
there shall be no herd in the stalls;  
yet shall appear in the east, and I joy in  
the joy of my Substitution

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 1835

A most tremendous storm visited this place this  
afternoon, about 3 o'clock, it poured out of the east,  
such wind, and rain, & lightning - the birds & trees were  
tremendously - the rain was that we could not  
with compass - the beautiful prospect was covered in  
fog & rain, and the water was so high - the sea was so  
turbulent that it was almost impossible to see the bottom

To a Young Lady

Angels guard the path distinguished men  
And every blessing fall & Godhead bless  
their flowing faiths, & every star that  
by fortune's favour, and by virtue led  
which health and ease in every look express.  
The glow of beauty, and the colour of grace -  
And every star that the softest smile of death  
As miss sleep beneath a Zephyrus's breath  
And gently passing peaceful rest in death  
Till the glad opening of eternity's sacred gate  
Then put the transient shadows of this world  
To rise and flourish in immortal bloom

August & September 1846

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Enjoying some little company  
with, & in the morning, chapel in  
the evening, Mr. Jay of Birmingham preached  
Mr. D. W. George was there

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Went to pleasant drive to Linton  
& Harrogate, also through Linton Park  
gathered blackberries, enjoyed it much

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Chapel, swimming pool, afternoon  
at Linton, enjoyed the reading

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Walked to Harrogate, then  
home, very cold & foggy, beautiful day

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. to Ballin, upon Mr. Edwards  
Wife's 10<sup>th</sup>, in the morning, Baptist Mission

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Walked to System, beautiful  
warm day, went in the garden, sat in  
Armstrong's, very pleasant stroll

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Went to very pleasant drive  
to Harley, Mr. Edwards drove, Mr. E. on horse  
back, beautiful day enjoyed it much

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Dr. Chilling's birthday, presents  
arrived in the morning, spent the day  
at Wollaton, discovered that watch was  
lost - Mr. Edwards came in the evening, he  
and I went to Mr. Chilling's, both present



September 1846

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Mr. Edwards went to Batham  
to enquire about the water; Chamberlain  
brought news that it was spouted, happy  
relief, & quitted immediately to the post-wharf.  
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Henry & Anne came for breakfast  
dinner in the morning, they walked to the  
brook afterwards, & went at 5, he left at 11  
beautiful moonlight evening, pleasant day.  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Charles & I had a long and delightful  
drive to Cran, took lunch in the house  
enjoyed it exceedingly, lovely weather.  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> I left at Batham, Mr. Ward  
attended Mr. Edwards, Prof. busy here washed  
day, Mr. & Mrs. called in the evening, I & Anne  
came unexpectedly by evening coach, rode the  
man to Tisbury, & arrived upon morning to Linton.  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Charles & I called upon Mr. & Mrs.  
Mr. & Mrs. Edwards, fresh up in afternoon.  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> The dear child left by the morning  
coach, we were to part, Prof. at Linton  
on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> being very hot & dry, & very  
very dear & much presented a little parcel  
containing a fine greenish rock, nothing very  
particular except on that day.

September 1846

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> I have I shall not soon forget  
our different, valuable servant Mary, has  
indeed proved a most useful character; my  
dear husband drove me to Tisbury in the  
afternoon Mr. & Mrs. with me, on our return  
found our faithful servant in a state of  
intoxication, this being the second time,  
& I & Anne, we at once decided upon her  
leaving; on the following day I drove to  
Batham to see a servant who had been  
living with Mr. Hart, named Jane Dean, found  
her disappointed, decided for her to come on  
the following Thursday. In my room I began  
to my great surprise Miss last year, taking  
with her a bundle of linen, Prof. took  
his horse and rode after her, overtook her  
12 miles on the Linton road, examined the  
contents of the bundle, then left her to  
pursue her course; to such extent indeed  
of doubt and hypocrisy, that being such  
unpleasant circumstances with which he is  
left on to us, we were to place the much obliged  
in servant again, we may be truly thankful  
that to have received such description.

September 1846

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Had Mary & Anne for a day & a  
very busy cleaning parlours, kitchen &c.  
Mary's nephew came, took her horse home  
on Tuesday Mr. & Mrs. came to visit me, very  
busy all day, washing clothes, dinner &c.  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Ann & Anne came from Hallaton  
to spend a short time with us, our new  
servant arrived in the evening; Prof. left  
home for a few days, travelled by coach to  
Lancaster, stayed at Bedford Place until  
Friday morning, (for pleasure business) letter  
from Mr. Edwards, sent Chamberlain with it  
to Lancaster, Prof. had left when he arrived.  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Did not feel very well, on  
Sunday called in Mr. Edwards, did not go  
out in afternoon, he sent medicine & mustard plaster.  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Rather better in the morning,  
Mr. Edwards went to Lancaster, he had Prof.  
come home again in the evening.  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Anne was short still continued  
Mr. Edwards called, ordered books, Mr. & Mrs.  
came to manage them for my great  
again when Prof. came home surprised  
to find I had so poorly.

September & October 1846

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> In bed with cold, having  
coughed very & hoarse, very poor, on  
Thursday rather better, on Friday Mr.  
Denton came, took Ann & Anne with her.  
Sunday, Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Still weak and poorly did  
not go out, Prof. went to Chapel-stone.  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Our Captain brother came to  
spend a few days with us, he went by  
train to Linton, from there he came, found  
my dear husband in his bed, rather not  
having his visit, on Thursday he and  
Prof. went to Hallaton after dinner, on  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. came to dinner  
Robert left us on Saturday evening  
Chamberlain drove home in the night to Hallaton.  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Again in trouble about servant  
Jane very poorly, called in Mr. Edwards,  
he advised us to send her home, she  
went to her sister, and on Saturday  
morning went home, it is considered good.  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Very inconvenient having no  
servant, I had to call on a day or  
two to assist poor exhausted creature, indeed  
obliged to attend to everything myself.



October & November 1846

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> The South servant at St. John's who had been living at Wallston writes Mr. South very good character of our home; Jane met my letter, expressing a willingness to meet with a person to assist, in her absence. Decided to send one of the persons above named, viz. Fanny Lee; sent Chamberlain with a note in the morning, she came in the afternoon, may she prove a suitable servant. Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup> John Wadsworth could not attend our little meeting. A very blessed day to me. Mr. Gamble was able to reach St. Paul's Church service on the mount, the dear Lord was pleased to grant his precious presence, powerfully reviving the begun good work in my soul. Truly blessed change of late my mind has been so harassed that I have experienced a cold, dark gloom indeed, oh! for a heart to praise Him as I ought. Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Fanny's Mother came, anxious to know whether she would stay, having had a much time, but as she appears a quick steady girl decided to have her stay with us for some time.

November 1846

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> My dear husband's 45<sup>th</sup> birthday, went to Milton as usual, present of book and pen, beautiful presents of a handsome pair of handkerchiefs from Elsie, cake & wine from Mother, pork pie from Wallston. Mr. Boker came to supper, presented a barrel of eggs. Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> kept the rest of this month very happily at our parents' home. Throughout included for the numerous blessings we enjoy; the given very prevalent everywhere, old many suffering from influenza & cholera, yet we are preserved from these maladies. May the Lord grant us truly grateful hearts, and enable us to praise Him as we ought. Elsie Chamberlain still very poorly. Mr. Brown went again to see her; my dear husband not well, the latter part of the month, suffering from diarrhea, but able to attend to business, he went to Leicester on 14<sup>th</sup> returned home on Sunday evening. kept at St. John's, glad to spend them so comfortably settled; sharp frost set in on the day previous to it has been unusually mild.

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December 1846

Dec. 26 solemnity, sharp frost continued - for three weeks with occasional falls of snow deep in some places, the weather more severe than it has been for many years, how different from last year, the weather was then so open and mild.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> began to thaw, rather mild the three following days, freezing again on the Wednesday; snowed the whole of the day on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>. I went to Leicester by West. Conf. Fellowship on board coach, gentle & sunny party at Wiggles Hall, for around in the afternoon and I dined in the evening, Conf. much engaged with business but wrote later, pleasant news on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Early bright Christmas day, the brightest I have ever spent, once more gladdened with the sound of the precious gospel.

very encouraging sermon - from Psalm 109. 10. 11. Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Conf. very busy all day, I called at Mr. P. H. - better, Martin returned home with me. Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 in the morning came again in the evening, fine frosty day, snow on the ground. Dr. W. H. H. - with Dr. B. B. B. - and Dr. B. B. B. - spent the evening with us.

December 1846

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> The last Sunday in the year 46 & the hope never to part, how unspeakable & precious is the sound of the blessed gospel for how beautiful before the mountains in the face of him that bringeth glad tidings, that publisheth peace, even that peace which passeth all understanding, and how powerful. I confessing is the work of God, my dear husband much blessed in the morning. Late before 30<sup>th</sup> evening, may it be the wish of the Lord to enable us to have more frequently.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> I should left at 9 o'clock, but for at 10 my dear husband also left us in the morning. I took up my abode at Wiggles Hall for a short time and thus concluded the year 1846.

Oh that our hearts may be filled with praise for the numerous mercies and favours granted throughout, and may our chief desire be as true souls are, to be enabled to have those things which we believe and justly ascribed to them which we before, seeing this world is not our rest, for we seek a better and more enduring substance.

### Family Ages in 1846.

Name	Birthday	Age in 1846.
Benjamin East	Aug. 4	71
Elizabeth C. East	March 29	60
Elyse Ann East	August 10	30
Samuel East	Sept. 12	29
Joseph East	Nov. 13	28
Robert East	April 13	26
Charlotte East	Sept. 4	21
Henry Ogden	died Oct. 13 <sup>th</sup> 1838	
Martin Ogden	Sept. 23	66
Robert Ogden	Sept. 10	45
Elizabeth Ogden	July 25	43
John Ogden	July 10	41
Benjamin C. Ogden	Nov. 10	40
Anna Ogden	July 25	38
Martin Ogden	Feb. 14	36
James Ogden	March 28	31

### Memorandums

January 1847.

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> I would desire on this day to reach the seven hundredth of God in this leading me on to the beginning of another year and for the privilege of hearing the sound of the precious gospel joining with a few of the Lord's chosen ones in singing the praise appropriate hymns.

Come more the constant than  
reaching round his sphere  
his steady course has run  
and brings another year.

Many will remember the blessed sermon in the morning from Psalm 119. 71<sup>st</sup> verse. Mr. James of Hibernian staying with us at Wiggles Hall, Mr. W. Barker also in the chapel, the latter suffering high affliction in temporal matters, the sermon much helped to him. May the Lord grant us his precious protection and lead us on to a more knowledge of himself, that we may become more and more  
satisfied.



January 1847

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Staid southward much at Leicester since I last wrote, returned home on this day, after a quite and pleasant visit the weather cold and unusually foggy. went out very little except to take the wife friends in the evening, very happy to receive once more safely at my dear home. Mr. Hart & Mr. Smith traveled with me. Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> My dear husband went his journey as usual. Mr. Edwards dined with us on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>. Prof. requested the favor of further assistance, which I hope may be granted, on this day my dear husband went to Leicester, accompanied Mr. Oliver in fog, very foggy and rather cold, - freezing. Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Beautifully sunny the friends & divine service of Wals and St. James, the latter service taking very place in the service, former went, subject "The water" J. Wals gave out by verse. - How can the water baptism except there be spirit. My dear husband at Leicester, may the work of God be blessed to him.

January 1847

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Called upon Mr. L., walked with her and had tea with them very pleasant. Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Prof. went by rail from Leicester to Weston on Monday morning, from there by coach to Pabham on Saturday, John took pig to West Hill, received home safely in evening very good spirits, large gain both ways. Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Mr. Ogden came unexpectedly. Mr. Ogden with her, she returned by Weston, kept snow still in the night, I never remember going it so thick upon the trees, Mr. Ogden obliged to remain with Saturday began to thaw. Sunday 21<sup>th</sup> The snow going very fast, wind high and rain, about 10 o'clock a severe wind to chapel in morning, I did not in afternoon read "The Captains' Address" by Rev. J. Pabham truly supernatural words, he is undoubtedly to remain saved his grace, and called to set forth the great tidings of the gospel. Christ in the whole world is given. Those who are washed with water and blood. When before is put on Christ above. When Christ both reconciles to God.

February 1847

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Very severe weather, the ground went with snow soon a life for the last fortnight, sharp frost, hardly with to our dear husband's journey, snowed the whole of the day on Sunday. Mr. Edwards dined with us on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> very pleasant. Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Chapel in the morning & afternoon as usual. Mr. & Mrs. Godfrey came from water in the morning, converse respecting J. Wals. Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> My dear husband wrote to Manchester, meeting of Shareholders, returned home about 6 in the evening, very satisfactory meeting, present of £20, about with a truly grateful and thankful heart for innumerable mercies received. Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Chapel in the morning, J. Wals still continuing to read, and giving out the hymns, subject "The water", the reading principally J. Wals own comments, that we might be grounded with the sound of the pure gospel, what we now have only heard to bondage and misery, leading the soul to the far instead of to Christ our dear Savior and Redeemer.

February 1847

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Snow still deepened, quite with the last three days. Mr. Crofton and Mr. Loutham came to dinner and stayed the evening, later when they left Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Chapel in the morning, same subject continued, converse with Mr. Hart went again in the afternoon, had had with when at night, both Williams' medium. Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Breakfast in bed, head rather better, Mr. Edwards called in the evening, and more folk and black brought in morning. Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Took brought in bed with 11, much better in the evening. Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. J. L. came both Weston came, arrived at 1, dined at 4, stayed all night. Mr. J. L. yesterday, Mr. Adams with very well, they left tea again at 3 o'clock on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Dined at 2, had one pig to leg. Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Chapel morning & afternoon. Mr. Gunkle had converse with J. Wals during the week, he did not read in the morning service very pleasant, conducted by Gunkle. J. Wals in afternoon, same subject, Prof. read Chapter, former absent.



March 1847

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Snow again on the ground, very cold. I had a cold, very uncomfortable in the evening. Have working for the Society Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> In bed for breakfast. cold better in the evening. Giovanni the day after Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Mr Edwards dined with us, and stayed the night. Benf presented him with a book. He left shortly after breakfast on Thursday morning, but the house at Wickham. Benf came to dinner at 2. Mr Compe with him. They went over to Wotton together late home. Mary Taylor came in the evening. Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Went early. Benf went to Rugby June had Dr Adams there, visited them for next Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> The Adams came. Jan. dined on account of cold. business between Benf & Benf Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> My dear husband for the first time with short thought. I went to chapel every night after dinner, some subjects continued. Mr Gambler came in the evening, pleasant conversation. He that the Lord would open a way for a minister to sit with us in the place of the gift of the gift. Next morning another plan might be brought to the knowledge of the

March 1847

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Mamma came to spend a short time with us, very glad to see her. weather pleasant but rather cold. Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Benf went to Leicester on business. returned home on the Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Mamma and I attended the little meeting, reading very different to the last few weeks. I had much of some hymns Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Mamma & I walked to Lorton to enquire about lodgings for Miss Chamberlain called upon Miss Grant. beautiful day Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Mamma not well took down at night, stayed about four hours. Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Letter from Benf sent out. he offered her lodgings. down over to Lorton, and Lorton after dinner. Mamma did not go out, cold. Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Benf went to Lorton. the great plan. Miss Chamberlain and Miss Grant accompanied him, arrived home at 6. Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Walked to Wickham. some fine day. the old arrived at Lorton. I went down to Edwards. Papa arrived quite much better in the evening.

March & April 1847

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Walked in the morning. Mr & Mrs Hope & family came to dinner. dined at 5. Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Papa, Mamma & self had a drive in the morning to Lorton & Lorton called upon the old and Hope. Papa not well in the evening, is very sick. Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Chapel in the morning. Mamma & I did not go in afternoon. Papa very poorly. Mr Edwards called to see him in the evening. Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Papa in bed for breakfast. weather very troublesome. Mr Edwards called, considered it an attack of jaundice. Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Papa in bed all day. the sister box. Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Papa & Mamma went home by Rail at 4 past 8. Benf to Lorton. once more quietly settled by ourselves. Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Good Friday. Some I shall not even forget my dear husband down me to Leicester, around the whole of the way, I exceedingly cold, intended to go in the previous evening, even prevented. had Mr. Lane from J.P. Papa the sister presented Mamma also poorly. Benf still not well. Monday morning, early Mr Lane's party.

April 1847

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Papa had operation performed by Paget, I was with him at the time. Chamberlain brought up for me, returned home in afternoon, very kindly received by my dear husband, glad to meet again. Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Went to look over the new house. disappointed to find a little progress. cannot possibly be ready before June. Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Had quite an unexpected party Mr Hope & Mr Compton of Lorton. Mr Ben. J. Bell. Southam, & Mr Hope joined us for tea. Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Mr Edwards dined with us very sociable and pleasant. left at 7. Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> The old came over early in the morning, sent for for them Miss Chamberlain dined with us, and stayed the day the old left about 4 o'clock. Miss B. & I spent quite away together, home came from Lorton. etc. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> The house better. Benf went to Wotton in the evening, arrived home at 7. Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Not being well. I did not go out in the morning, a change again to the Benf Mr Gambler was very well, he understood the whole of the service. Mr. Farmer at Lorton.



May 1847

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> A truly blessed day, chapel morning and evening. Mr. Gamble sat. Passon gave it by name. I took no part of the service. very pleasant evening. My dear husband came and powerfully did fight in prayer. He ended with the spirit of supplication.  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Mr & Mrs. Adams came quite unexpectedly, about 3 o'clock. Conf. had just returned from Ockham. They left directly after dinner. Mr. West said. I am glad to see you. Mr. Turner called in evening.  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Very heavy rain in the morning with journey. I saw dear husband. but not in joy. bright day afterwards. I walked to Weston to meet him. enjoyed it much. the country looking very fresh and beautiful.  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Conf. went to Stamford. Mr. Edwards from home. I spent the day at Mr. Gifford's. Mr. C. there. pleasant day. returned home with my dear friends in the evening. he went to Stamford again on Saturday.  
Mr. Edwards went off to fight tonight. various from Mr. Conf. many on great request. Isaac visited again this week. 16 for help.

May 1847

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Very happy day. Mr. Gamble took the whole of the service. except the hymn my dear husband was selected. James etc.  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Mr. O'Brien and C. Hastings came over in afternoon. stayed tea. left shortly after Conf. arrived with wife home.  
Tuesday 23<sup>th</sup> Marianne went to Grantham. Conf. met her at Weston. Mr. Poyser and family both tea with us. came very fresh.  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Conf. expected to have to go to London. above to Stamford after having Mr. Poyser came. settled the business with Mr. Poyser. no reason to go to London.  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Splendid weather the whole of the week. had in early morning and warm to night. Mr. P. & Mr. West. were all enjoyed it.  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Surprisingly warm day. Mr. C. and Mrs. Haughton came to dinner. also Mr. West. Miss Edwards joined with tea.  
Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> attended chapel as usual. garden. Mr. Gamble engaged in the service. happy day. I took part with them. Henry Harcourt & I found kind words. Conf. said it

June & July 1847

I would have read the goodness and mercy of God in provisions for us in change of habitation. he has done so the bounds of our habitation speak and I can truly say our only reason is that the Lord seeing help the water his gracious presence. that we may be led to magnify his wonderful name. and that the things of this world may not take our whole heart of our attention. but may we be enabled to follow on to know the Lord, and may it be our chief concern to glorify with our race.

Chloe from the way. but still lost on. We returned on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June. Mrs. Phipps kindly rendered assistance. stood with us until the end of July. I brought on spent a week with me. Mr. Brown also arrived from America with baby stayed a few days. very sweet. then we all travelled together to Leicester on the 24<sup>th</sup> of July. I stayed a week. went over to Milton for a day with Mr. & Mrs. Ashurst & Papa & Marianne. enjoyed it exceedingly. Miss Brown staying at Hafford there. had dinner in 1847. enjoyed the visit much.

August & September 1847

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Conf. came to Leicester in the evening stayed Sunday. returned home together on Monday. rather was still there expected to go to Leicester again in a few weeks to meet Miss & Henry. they went to the sea. some than we expected. therefore we decided. went again on the 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. very beautiful day enjoyed the home. arrived at 3 o'clock. Miss Gifford there. Sunday my birthday. which was not forgotten. many kind wishes etc. we returned home on Monday started at 8 o'clock very wet morning. Miss Gifford intended to come with us. but Richard on account of the rain. Conf. went on to Ockham. not accident on his return. we have cause for gratitude that it was not our serious. the spot I heard very much better. suffered great pain during the night applied hot poultices etc. Richard attended. Mr. C. & P. on the Wednesday. obliged to write to request them to help them on it. a great disappointment. have very uncertain in all things here. may our hearts be more and more at God's feet.



October 1847

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> This is a day to be recorded, indeed, circumstances occurring to convince us of the great necessities of all things in this life, I have better comfort to be derived from them, letter from C. B. Kings, Prof. obliged to go to Wallston and Lough, very wet day, went in fog.

A Minister came privately to the chapel Mr. Warfield of Leicester, he is indeed one thought of God, heard him very pleasantly, since some ground with a new hope of future in Christ as my Son-in-law, after a son of Warfield and Lough, sent to him 5.6.28.29.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> 16.8.28. Prof. returned home at 11.20.29.

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Prof. went to Leicester to meet Mr. Hunt, stayed at W. H. H. then returned home on Sunday afternoon, brought Mrs. Lough with him, delighted to see her once more, more than I have ever enjoyed since she visited us.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> The most quiet and settled week I have passed in our new house, enjoying the company of dear John, being much of my dear husband, their intelligence of each other, letter from Peter containing note on which you saw the Whiffles in difficulties.

November 1847

Mr. W. H. H. has been much pleased every day, Mrs. Lough staying with us, Miss Lough very friendly, Margaret Lee part of the time, often came in in the evening for music, the Misses Lough spent an evening with us, another was open pleasant for the time of year, without to Castle Hill, Mrs. Lough with drawing room, Mr. Lough had very much enjoyed with Peter, Lough, a High School for a few days, obliged to go to London myself in low spirits, much concerned for her poor parents, the Whiffles still in a sad state, contemplating a removal from W. H. H. place, may be Lord Lough on ship at his trying run, knowing not how to act or when to go. On the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Mrs. Lough went to Graham, looked over her house, quite unsatisfied, whether to leave Leicester or not, from Peter exceedingly low and distressed, every strength he gave equal to the day of death, and may the Lord grant his guidance and direction, thank still and in the salvation of God.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> A truly blessed day indeed, morning and afternoon, subject in evening, the difference between legal and evangelical religion, last subject on the Kingdom of Heaven as it had afternoon, the sermon of Amos, concluded with the innovation system, former called in the evening, very pleasant course, spoke of visiting Dr. Lough, joined with us in prayer.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> I and Mrs. Lough walked to garden to look upon the Godfrey's, Prof. stayed at Melton all night, on Wednesday Mr. Edwards came, Prof. in rather better spirits, Lough returned home from Northampton rather late, Mrs. Lough very nervous and poorly.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> A day soon to be remembered, Lough morning and evening, Mrs. Lough had sent to us in the evening, the day last was pleasant to go, but Mrs. Lough a sweet and powerful man, I think, but to me not, that we may be truly joyful for some time, for God, and may we not follow on to know the Lord, then indeed shall we be blessed with him in.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Mr. De Lough preached at the little chapel, enjoyed the service much especially in the morning, the word most powerfully blessed to my soul, after a season of great perplexity and distress.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> I sufficiently praise the thought for his goodness and mercy, sent Dr. Lough C. B. 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 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December 1847

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Left home for a short time  
 with me, travelled to Leicester by  
 rail, inside, found poor Father in very  
 low spirits, Mamma at Grantham, as soon  
 as I arrived Father wrote to desire Mamma  
 to take the house at Grantham, wishing  
 to move as soon as possible, sent for  
 Miss, commenced taking down furniture.  
 Friday 10<sup>th</sup> A tedious day indeed, packed  
 a great deal of the furniture, very tired  
 when the day was over, poor Emily to—  
 Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Nearly finished taking down  
 Lucy packing & loading, Bessie came over  
 unexpectedly in the morning, returned  
 home by rail in the afternoon.  
 Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Thankful indeed for a day  
 of rest, Chapel morning and evening.  
 Oh that this change may prove right  
 in the end, and that our dear Parents  
 may be blessed with thought, I continue  
 to sustain this time of trial, and  
 may the Almighty yet deliver from  
 impending danger, by his all-powerful  
 arm, for ever and in the help of Man.

December 1847

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Finished loading the furniture,  
 & sent, Gordon called respecting the sale of  
 J. Barston called in the evening, said for  
 Father to go there for a few days, Mr. S. Mr.  
 Parker called, and Mr. Vargus.  
 Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Emily and Lucy very early, and  
 started by train at 8, arrived with me,  
 travelled from Milton in a Fly, arrived at  
 Grantham at 12, glad to find dear Mother  
 in better spirits than we expected, dined  
 with the children, then went to the new  
 abode, very comfortable house, waited some  
 time for the Furs, they arrived about 4,  
 commenced unloading immediately, finished late.  
 Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Very busy all day opening furniture  
 the heavy iron bedstead, glass bed, some  
 accident had occurred, expected it in the  
 previous evening, arrived safely at 11, in the morning.  
 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Trying carpets and hanging  
 pictures set getting settled in order.  
 Friday 17<sup>th</sup> The last two arrived safely  
 at night, unloaded immediately, thankful  
 indeed that all has arrived safely, and in  
 being so speedily in the weather.

December 1847

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Emily finished, and left in the  
 afternoon, expected Father, he did not come.  
 Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Thankful for a day of rest  
 Mr. C. preached morning and evening.  
 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Still engaged at the house,  
 dined at Eliza's at 5, Charlotte had had  
 cold, stayed at North Parade, I called upon  
 Mr. C. converse respecting the removal, Father  
 arrived in the evening, very low spirits,  
 Christchurch appears in a sad unsettled state.  
 Tuesday 21<sup>th</sup> Mr. much cast down, I diffused  
 the cause, Henry wrote to Youngs, went to  
 the house, C. better, dined at Henry's chapel  
 in the evening, truly blessed sermon, Mamma  
 spoke to Mr. Chas. Latham after chapel.  
 Wednesday 22<sup>th</sup> Our dear Parents took up  
 their abode on the North Parade, I went  
 with them for a day or two, Emily better.  
 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Intended to go to Eliza's for a few  
 days, but declined on account of the  
 children having the influenza, Henry & Mary  
 came at night at 11 o'clock, quite a  
 revival, on this sad Christmas Eve, Father  
 and Mother in rather better spirits.

December 1847

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day, chapel in the  
 morning, Emily & Henry did not go out,  
 enjoyed a little peace in the afternoon, sat  
 with them in the drawing room, very cozy.  
 Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Henry went to Bytham, started  
 early, we waited for him in the drawing room  
 arrived late 11 o'clock, expected him about 9.  
 Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Walked with Emily and Henry  
 nearly to the Mill, called at Eliza's Mr. Thomas  
 it with suppers, I intended to leave in  
 the evening changed his mind, stayed until noon.  
 Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Henry left very early, I took my  
 farewell of Mother & Emily, spent the day  
 at Eliza's, slept there the last night.  
 Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> The day of my departure,  
 travelled outside from Grantham to Stamford  
 terrible weather, snow on the ground, rained  
 the whole of the way, Chamberlain met me  
 with gig at Stamford, dined up, sun shined  
 as we approached Wymondham, was received  
 with the greatest kindness by Mrs. beloved  
 husband, thankful indeed to meet again  
 great attention also from Fanny & Ellen.  
 My place like home.



1848

January 1<sup>st</sup>. Another year commenced, not without many proofs of the uncertainty of all things here. Daily accounts of sudden deaths from influenza and other causes. The Chastepelt affair arrived at that crisis, that something must be decided. May the Lord deliver by his all powerful arm, and may we be enabled to stand still and see the salvation of God, for man indeed is the work of man.  
 Friday 31<sup>st</sup>. Very busy time at the house, half yearly balance, set up until after 2, supplying Benf and the books with coffee & sugar kept it up until 5 o'clock.  
 Friday 7<sup>th</sup>. Mr. & Mrs. Brown dined with us. had. bird soup, sales spirit, force of black game, porcupine pudding, pleasant evening.  
 Monday 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. & Mrs. Foster came. dined. had turkey set. Mr. & Mrs. Brown also dined with us. Mary & Matty J. spent the week with us, returned home on Saturday.

### January 1848

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>. Letters respecting Chastepelt. Mr. & Mrs. Foster went to Sheffield, surely something will be decided shortly.  
 Friday 21<sup>st</sup>. Benf. went to Stamford, T. Adams arrived in the afternoon, stayed all night, pleasant converse relative to business, he stayed until Saturday evening, then went to Walsaton, home to home, went on to Ingby, got home.  
 Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>. Very happy day, service very pleasant in the morning, text looking out from lot, the same subject for the last four Sundays. Very severe weather the last 3 weeks, a great deal of snow & very sharp frosts, never felt the cold so much.  
 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>. Still enduring the protest suspension, nothing decided, there is a time of trial indeed, the Lord alone can deliver.  
 Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>. Letter from Eliza, with much intelligence respecting Chastepelt, (the great shock) Marianne decided to leave at once & come to us, Benf. at Stamford, sent them to let him know, Marianne came with him in the gig arrived at 5.

### February 1848

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>. continued. Working of householders present. Mr. & Mrs. Wades sale, went for a short time, very fine day for from Mother, better spirits than I expected.  
 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>. Mr. & Mrs. Brown came in the afternoon to stay a few days, on Friday Mr. & Mrs. Brown came stayed dinner. I had a cold on Saturday, still worse on Sunday, did not go out, George Hart there, Marianne went morning and afternoon, Mr. & Mrs. Brown in.  
 Monday 21<sup>st</sup>. Mr. & Mrs. Brown went home in the morning, my cold still very troublesome.  
 Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>. Benf. went to Grantham accompanied Mr. Oliver in his gig, started at 6 in the morning, stayed Sunday returned home on Monday 29<sup>th</sup>, very well, had Edward, precipitation.  
 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>. Very poor day, in bed nearly all day, new sister, John & John were gone home rather before in the evening.  
 Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>. Marianne with well, better in bed for breakfast, made one more visit.  
 Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>. Better better, had a short walk, pleasant day, weather generally wet.



March 1848

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Very wet day. Mamma and I did not go out. Benj. enjoyed the service much in the morning. Looking with pain.  
 Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Pleasant day. Mamma and I took a walk, had flowers for Mamma. Benj. had one of the — & fair box. Bought a watch for a new & pleasant watch in London. — The sale of the House in Wilford Place, nothing sold.  
 Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Letter to say the House was purchased by Robert for 2500. note given. Benj. declining the Gas share.  
 Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> W. Pickering came in the evening. Benj. spoke to him respecting situations for Robert and Joseph, he very kindly promised to find employment for both. A little relief to our over-burdening troubles.  
 Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> I wrote trying such indeed. in great perplexity about the Gas share. Benj. went to Leicester, returned in the evening. Robert came also, in a sad state indeed. could not receive him into our house he went to Leamington, never can we forget the services of this day. —

March 1848

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> The saddest day I ever remember. Benj. and I went to Chapel, Mamma did not go. Benj. called out, supposing Robert was the cause, I followed, supposed that John had arrived, he stayed dinner, left afterwards. Benj. and myself went to Chapel in afternoon. I wrote to Robert in the evening, the hand of the Lord is indeed heavy upon us. Oh that submission may be given, and that we may still be enabled to trust a faithful God.  
 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Received from Robert a painful note in answer to mine, consented to allow him to come, he spent the day with us and gave an explanation of his conduct. Benj. went to Grantham from Leamington to consult W. C. respecting the Gas share. He came home on the Tuesday evening from Melton. Robert left by the Mail in the morning.  
 Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Papa and Joe came, arrived at 2 in a chair from Stamford. Pickering came in the evening, engaged Joseph, he stayed until Monday morning. Papa stayed a few days. — Most anxious time.

March 1848

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Benj. went to Leamington, from Melton to Stamford; John brought letter of Benj. also informed us that George would not be home at his usual time. he returned home at 8, bringing the intelligence that Mamma had King had stopped, additional anxiety, on the Tuesday Benj. went to Melton, spoke there to Grantham with Mr. Edmunds.  
 Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Walked with Papa & Mamma to Bydon, went in the Park garden, very fine day, pleasant and warm.  
 Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Papa went by Mail to Leicester 7 am in the morning, very wet afterwards.  
 Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Change in the weather, exceedingly warm day, but at last has been very wet & cold. Collars full of water, considerably so. Benj. went to Leamington after Mamma.  
 Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> Benj. went to Grantham started at 9 Meeting of Directors to continue plan commencing a new branch, offered the management to Benj. he stayed until Monday, went to Leamington, back in afternoon. I with him beautiful day. —

April 1848

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> continued. Mamma went to Leicester by Mail. W. C. Bydon travelled with her outside, very warm day.  
 Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Quiet day, all alone, letter from Charles to announce the birth of another child, on Sunday at 3 in the afternoon. Mother and infant going on very well, warm afterwards, Charles left.  
 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Benj. returned home from Leamington, I with him, Mamma came by Mail, talked over the circumstance of our leaving Leamington. Mr. Edmunds wrote to Benj.  
 Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Mr. Bydon and Mr. J. Adams came over, dined with us, change in the weather again, very cold, and rain.  
 Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Benj. went to Stamford by Mail, from there to Grantham on Saturday morning by coach with Mr. Edmunds commenced the New Branch (the Train) they stayed Monday, Benj. attended Melton, returned Leamington in the evening. Mr. Edmunds took up to Leamington, my dear husband brought intelligence that it was quite decided for us to remove to Grantham.



April 1848

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>. The new Manager, Mr. Baring arrived in the morning, dined with us in  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>. very pleasant young man.  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup>. Benf. went to Stamford. From  
thence to Grantham with Mr. Edwards, returned  
home on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> in good spirits.  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>. Note given Mr. Edwards, should  
go us to have the Bank & Co. - visited  
by himself. Mr. C. Pickering called. Last Sunday  
I wrote to Joseph to visit him at Derby  
on Thursday and to proceed to Leeds on  
the following morning. Robert commenced  
his new employment this week, saying they  
both be satisfied, and successful.  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup>. Good Friday, a very harassing  
day for my dear husband. Mr. Baring &  
Johns being all day making arrangements for  
leaving. Benf. took his departure for  
Grantham, went by March to Stamford  
from thence in a stage with Mr. Edwards  
took up his abode for the present at the  
North Parsonage. very cold and a great  
deal of rain. Benf. returned home on the  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>. to Grantham on Thursday returned to the office.

May 1848

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>. Went to Grantham with my good  
husband very beautiful day, enjoyed the drive  
went to the house, which at North Parson  
on Friday and Sunday, at Mr. Thompson's on  
Saturday and Monday, went over the house.  
Mr. Towner with us, returned home on  
Tuesday, spent the morning with Mr. Burdick  
but dined there, pleasant drive home.  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>. Fanny left, having been with  
us a year and half. C. Chamberlain came  
may be find it a change for the better.  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>. Fanny left us, having spent  
three months, went with Benf. in the gig  
by Stamford. Mr. Towner came over in the  
morning, Mr. M. O'Brien, she spent the day  
with me, wrote to Ellen etc. left in the evening.  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>. Very busy morning out, boxed &  
dressed etc. visited Mr. Thompson in packing  
the wine. Spent Sunday quietly alone.  
Gamer called in the evening. On Monday  
Mr. O'Brien came to pack the books, and on  
Tuesday 18 Benf. came from Grantham, good friend  
Chas. with him, very glad to welcome  
him, once more we have the society of running.

May 1848

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>. Miss Gifford came in the evening  
staid all night on Thursday expected Mrs.  
Pickering, she did not come to dinner, only  
a hurried call. Emily and I went with  
Miss Gifford to Elston, took tea there  
spent a pleasant evening, weather for the  
last three weeks very warm & pleasant, warm.  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>. At 10<sup>th</sup> I saw arrived in the morning  
packed all the china & glass. Mr. Ward came  
at night, expected Miss Baring, she did not come.  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>. The last Sunday I shall spend  
in Eppingham for the present, Mr. Ward &  
Emily here, Mr. Gifford & Fanny out, Mr. Gifford  
and, leaving you out, pleasant service.  
At 10<sup>th</sup> left at night, Miss Baring arrived at the time.  
Monday & Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. The house in a state  
of confusion. Benf. then taking down and packing  
furniture nearly all night in the evening.  
Miss Baring took the white room furniture etc.  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>. The day for our departure.  
Finished packing the last baggage by 2 o'clock  
a glorious cargo, 2 waggons and 2 Poms, they started  
about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. I took my  
farewell of Eppingham started at 1 o'clock.

May & June

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>. Continued travel in the morning  
by Ebbw. had two servants, changed horses at  
Pebham, arrived at North Parson at 5, had  
tea, then went to take a survey of our  
new house, we all slept at North Parson.  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>. Went to the house directly after  
breakfast, found the waggons had arrived  
early, partly loaded, a day of bother.  
Benf. arrived in the evening.  
Friday & Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>. Ellen and Mrs. Lucy  
spending furniture etc., finished in the afternoon  
and started off home, we took up our  
abode at our new home, rather fatigued.  
Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>. Attended Chapel morning and evening  
especially surprised to find the service so  
pleasant, quiet day, had supper at Mr. S.  
June 1<sup>st</sup>. Thursday. Very busy day, having the coach  
taking sheet and bed-room cupboards and  
drawers, getting carpets, had Mr. Bader  
come to prepare the house in such a  
short time, requiring painting and papering  
throughout, we must ever be contented  
with something or nothing between Mr. Bader  
and Mr. Edwards may it be shortly.



June 1848

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> We now began to feel settled in our new home, pleasant indeed it is again to enjoy the society of my nearest relatives. May the change prove for our mutual comfort. Here I would record the goodness and mercy of God in providing for us another comfortable habitation; how little we knew what is best for us, I quite doubted the removal, but now I can truly say it is all for the best.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Dr. C. preached here. thought would once more to show the sound of the gospel.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> I must now write much for some. write an account of the year in which I have been led, called on the Wednesday upon Dr. C. gave it him to peruse, he called after chapel, I forwarded the MS. to Leicester.

Saturday July 1<sup>st</sup> Went to Leicester, accompanied by Father & Mother in a fly to Melton, from thence my railway. I went to Mr. Adams. Mr. C. called in the evening, also Mr. Stoddard. Mr. Adams intended to have gone to Burton referred to on my account, was much and enabled the children at Burton.

July 1848

Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup> A most important day for me, having expressed a wish, by letter, to join the Ordinance, my request was granted. Thus I derive glory to testify of the Lord's goodness and mercy who alone hath brought me from the most sinful state, to be a member of His blessed Church, now I be enabled to walk worthy the vocation wherewith I am called. Had a pleasant and quiet drive to Melton.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Mamma and Papa with Dr. C. & Stoddard came in the morning, the latter returned home in the evening, pleasant day.

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Refreshed & very happy and fruitful time with our dear kind friends. Papa left on Thursday morning, we returned.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> very wet day. I went to Mr. Stoddard's morning and evening, truly thankful we were to hear the sound of the blessed gospel which proves the power of life.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Called upon Dr. Stoddard with me, converse respecting Brown, went to Mr. Stoddard's for tea. Mamma & Papa then, we called at Mr. Lockman's in the evening, called at Mr. Stoddard's.

July & August 1848

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Stoddard home by rail to Melton from thence by coach, beautiful day, enjoyed the drive. Eliza arrived at Mr. Stoddard before we took our departure.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Refreshed & quite time at home. busy in garden and greenhouse, many walks with Eliza, Eliza & Mother stayed there three weeks, returned home Aug 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>.

Aug 11<sup>th</sup> Went to Nottingham with Papa & Mamma very pleasant time, had double carriage.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Papa's birthday, age 72, we all dined at Eliza's, walked in the evening.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Refreshed & pleasant walk, had much conversation respecting & journey to the sea, enjoyed our boat ride on the old grey horse, weather very pleasant; the Highgate Farm recommending Loughborough we decided to go there, being preparing to leave home may the change prove beneficial. My dear husband having been suffering from the pain in the face & head, the change is highly necessary, Tuesday, busy packing up. Wed. went to Melton by coach.

August 1848

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Took our departure for Loughborough Eliza & Henry Lacy & Dr. C. Chalmers & self formed the party, had ten pounds to Loughborough, from thence by railway arrived at 8 o'clock, could not obtain lodgings, no room at the Royal Hotel, went to the Bull, had six hot meals; had such good sleep.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Henry, Eliza & myself went in search of lodgings, Eliza and I walked on the sands at 10, lunched and dined at the Hotel, went to our lodgings at 6 in the evening, Dr. C. & Henry Foxon, splendid view of the sea, very bright evening.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Took a survey of the Coast Hotel, very fine morning, rained in the evening. Day: went on the sands, the rest dined in.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Went in the town in the morning had a walk on the sands after lunch went to the sea in the evening weather fine.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day, went to the Parish Chapel in the morning with Prof. & Henry, the rest went to Church, went to the sea beach in the evening, 1 o'clock I did not stay, went to the Plymouth Brethren meeting.



## August 1848

Monday 21<sup>st</sup>. Wind in the morning, wrote letters  
 given in the evening, walked on the south sand.  
 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>. Wind in the morning, wrote letters  
 walked afterwards, walked on the south sand  
 on the evening, decided to subscribe to the bridge.  
 Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>. Letter from D.C. wrote to her  
 showed, went on the bridge and to the station  
 explored the gardens, enjoyed at Munch, land, got  
 beautiful, went down in the evening.  
 Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>. Went to Friday by rail, beautiful  
 view of a rough natural bridge, very tired.  
 arrived at the Hotel, Hotel arrived home at 6.  
 Friday 25<sup>th</sup>. Spent some time at the Hotel  
 in the morning afterwards went to Church  
 Mount, very warm day, splendid view,  
 had a run on the water, rough round the fort.  
 Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>. Not morning, bathed, walked on  
 the south sand in the evening gathered some  
 Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>. Went to St. Mary's in the morning  
 to St. Thomas, in the evening, heard Mr. Whitfield.  
 Monday 28<sup>th</sup>. & Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>. Two pleasant days,  
 went to St. John's Hill on Sunday, very happy  
 at, went to the station in the evening,  
 began to think of returning home, weather pleasant

## August & September 1848

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>. Very happy in the morning  
 packed up in the afternoon, walked to the  
 bridge & home for the last time.  
 Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>. The day for our departure, breakfast  
 at 6 left at 7 travelled by rail to York, then  
 to Derby and Milton, by rail to Grantham  
 arrived, obliged to ride inside, Miss Langwith then  
 arrived at 6, beautiful incident on our way to  
 reach our quiet home in safety.  
 Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>. Enjoyed in unpacking and settling  
 thought never more thankful to be once  
 more at home again, disappointed that our  
 home not so much more brought from the journey.  
 Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>. Chapel morning and evening,  
 enjoyed it much very different to anything  
 we heard at Scarborough, it was indeed an  
 inimitable privilege to meet with those  
 whom we believe to be of the true Church.  
 Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>. Eliza & Henry, Emily & children  
 arrived home from Scarborough, how our  
 hearts were once more made in safety, many  
 grateful hearts we give for a many seasons  
 at home and abroad.

## September 1848

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>. Received a guest from at our  
 inimitable home, weather very pleasant  
 bathed with Eliza and children in the evening.  
 Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>. Sara & Maria came to spend some  
 time brought us, Miss Langwith here in the  
 from Milton, had tea with us, afterwards  
 went to North Parade, returned there for the evening.  
 Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>. Formed a party to Robin's Castle.  
 Mr. Stevens arrived with Miss from Wingham  
 after breakfast, quite unexpectedly, he went  
 with us, both his home, lunch in the afternoon  
 went over the castle, grounds, etc. weather  
 very delightful, enjoyed the day exceedingly.  
 Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Began to pull down the old stable  
 made such work in our little garden.  
 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>. Bath went to Bolton (except  
 Miss very busy) very delightful day, the  
 grounds in most beautiful order, went  
 to the villa, saw across the water, etc.  
 Sara came to see, with us for a time.  
 Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Bathin staying at Mr. Duns  
 we all went to dinner at Howard to visit her,  
 Harry's home etc. quite a large party.  
 shocking fun, can't write at all.

## October 1848

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>. My dear husband still suffering  
 exceedingly from toothache, pain in the face  
 etc. obliged to have a tooth extracted by Mr.  
 Knott in the evening, Sara in the room & Hannah.  
 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>. Letter from Joseph, very old.  
 obliged to leave his education under Richard  
 Robert also has left him engaged with another  
 contractor, Sara staying with us, weather not.  
 My dear husband very poorly, obliged to consult  
 Mr. Knott, very converse with him, continued  
 to attend for some time, discharge it.  
 Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>. Very preparing to leave home  
 Eliza and Sara promised to become house  
 helps in my absence, agreeable arrangement.  
 Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>. Left home for a short time to  
 visit the C's, travelled by rail to Milton.  
 from thence by train arrived at 11 o'clock  
 very kindly received, was it from a pleasant  
 Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>. A truly happy day, our dear  
 friends with the sound of the great, took  
 taken from the 40<sup>th</sup> of David, in the evening  
 the work was abundantly light to my soul  
 producing that sweet peace, joy and comfort  
 which the Lord alone can give.



November 1848

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Spent the week very pleasantly indeed, very wet, did not go out much, had tea at John Wams on Friday, he was at Liverpool, decided for C. Lockings & family to go to Australia, expecting to last in a fortnight or three weeks.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Very blessed day, that in the evening had 6<sup>th</sup> of Providence, enjoyed the service much, this is the second time I have joined in the blessed ordinance of the Lords supper.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Went to call upon Mr. Wams, with him to see their new house, stayed at Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> He says he went with me to look over the Republication, Mr. Adcock, I saw and Mr. Gorman came for tea. At 4 o'clock.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Returned home after a pleasant quiet and happy visit, I shall ever look back upon this visit as a time of sweet refreshing from the Lord, the work of grace more and more confirmed in my heart, the Lord granting strength to endure the same yet before me, Oh that I may be kept night and day, and that some time may be given to reading, meditation and prayer.

November 1848

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Then left us, having stayed just 2 months, travelled with us in the ship to Madras from thence by Train, Chilly with I in bed for breakfast, stayed with me a little time longer, both had had colds, breakfast in bed together for several mornings, I could not go out on Sunday following, cold worse.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Commenced papering and painting the kitchen, ceiling, chimney & whitewashed Chilly stayed the week with me, on the

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Conf. at Spalding, meeting of Deacons, left home on Wednesday afternoon returned on Friday morning, not very good of spirits.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> The illness finished, very busy week, shall be glad indeed when it is over.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Very pleasant day, chapel very well evening, Supper at Henry's, were from

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> A very busy week, have all in construction began our room on Monday, began paper of staircase, planning room, letter from Helgden stating that W. & M. Bellamy and family went on board on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> expected to sail in a few days, since their great change from the place.

December 1848

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Busy preparing for the repairs in the kitchen, turned the dining room into a kitchen, took up carpet, removed nearly all the furniture of stone, kitchen stools also, very hard at night.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Began to take up kitchen floor, I finished on Wednesday, then commenced painting and set finish until the following Tuesday.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Our room still unfinished, the weather looks very open and mild, more some days, more like spring than winter.

At 1 o'clock engaged with Commission affairs, then room office building, Chilly heard of Mr. Wams death, Henry very much surprised with it.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Once more favoured with the glad tidings of the gospel, our dear Minister spoke from Isaiah 46. 1. & 2. verse, very excellent and encouraging discourse in the evening from same text, we dined at North Parade, supper at Henry's.

Oh that we may be more & more anxious to make our calling and election sure, seeing how unsatisfactory are all things here below, on Monday we went to Mr. C. at North Parade for tea & supper.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Chilly in the evening that, the doctor had attended it, but the side were healed.

December 1848

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> The worst day for me yet, all the articles removed into the kitchen again, the spare room entirely emptied, ceiling commenced, our own room once more straight, had tea here and enjoyed a little peace in the evening.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Began the dining room floor, found the bookcase must come down, indeed set the removal, Chilly & Chilly assisted me in collecting together the china and glass, and replacing them, we dined at North Parade.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> The dining room and spare room still in progress, my poor husband had violent sub. headache in the evening, myself not well.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> Still not well from at short in the morning, Chilly came, had a walk together.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Much better, Chilly morning & evening peaceful day, long bath with servant, my dear husband more comfortable than usual.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Spent here, Mr. Wams came had lunch, very rich, Conf. in good spirits Papa & Mr. Withinson had tea with us, Papa stayed supper, on Tuesday Conf. went to Madras did not return until Wednesday night Chilly came to tea and stayed the night with us.



December 1848

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Winter set in, very sharp frost the last few nights, beautiful sunny days, pleasant walks with Eliza, Eliza and William, brother-in-law from Boston, and Anne very fine spirits, also letters from Robert & Alfred, both out of situations, he had not written since he left Berkshire, 3 months past.

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Frosty day, Chapel morning service. Mr. Hand once found Anna his appearance, added at North Bridge on Saturday night 12 o'clock.

Very pleasant service in the evening, Ann on 130 Boston Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas day, Henry Hand and Eliza came to dinner, (in the drawing room still), Jane Gaston and William arrived with the servant Mr. Gaston to tea, all English gone.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan. at Chapel, Mr. Hand son & Mr. Hand Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Keep very busy in bank yesterday, left with Eliza, Jane here, finishing the dining room, beautiful winter night we have been worse to have a little time.

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Jane more in the dining room, having been turned out nearly 1 month, beautiful winter night to say or a little frost, such a comfortable room, many thanks of gratitude be given.

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Labour, and useful duties occasioned by the repairs, preparing & painting the houses, of this we should not complain but ought indeed to be truly thankful for a comfortable habitation, may the dear Lord grant us a little rest with peace when completed.

Oh how little can we tell what has begun or how long we may continue in this world, truly I can say.

Oh, I could long to be set free.

Not only that I may be delivered from care and anxiety, but also that I may be more richly supplied with the Father's love, and the comfort of his presence, yet I desire to wait his appointed time, He alone can keep me near unto his ever blessed self, Oh that I may be more faithful, more watchful, that whenever the dear Lord calls me, I may be prepared to meet him, and to devote for ever in that heavenly kingdom where I am and sorrow, with all the cares of this world shall be forever done away.

—Gaston—

Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 48.

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Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1848. Another year has passed away over which with ever her remembrance her husband history will record the many wars, and records of wars, the French Revolution, the sub state of the French Et Et, we do indeed love in most precious times, yet our God is ever faithful guarding and protecting his Church in the midst of surrounding dangers, and every circumstance is by his Divine appointment, as an individual. I may also record the wonderful ways of God for it has been a year we can never forget, but year at this time our dear Parents have just returned here, how little did we then think that in a few months we should also be removed to the same spot, however such has been the work of God, I say he, who hath thus brought us together, and unite us in that bond which even death cannot separate, tribulation has indeed been our portion yet we have cause for thankfulness, to my dear husband and self it has also been a most sweetened time, first the removal here, then journey to the sea, my visit to Leicester, the departure of Mr. Belling and finally to Sandwich, and lastly the time.

Memorandum  
January 1849

Another year commences and oh how true is the foregoing remark at the conclusion of last year for indeed we know not what lies before us, little did I then think, even one month had passed away we should become a family of mourners, the dear Lord has been pleased to take away our poor brother Joseph, the nearest relation whose loss I have been called to endure, Oh the heart-felt sorrow caused by such a bereavement, especially when we have no real companion, that the soul was prepared for the solemn change, Oh it is indeed more than human strength can bear, may the Almighty grant his supporting arm, and sustain us in this overwhelming affliction.

The wonderful intelligence arrived on Sunday given Mr. Adams, our poor dear Brother Joseph on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> was entered in the Circular on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Mother & Father went to Farmington on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> stayed the week.



February 1849

February 29<sup>th</sup> A month of deep sorrow & grief, surrounding the death of our dear Brother, and greatly increased on account of his uncertain end; then dear Lord has been pleased to place a beam upon this our deep affliction; we know, with Him all things are possible, and "He doeth as he will with his own" in His dear Name, we would therefore choose to trust, and hope; truly I can say, "His afflictions abound, consolations abound also," in every dispensation the dear Lord, in His own good time, enables us to discern His overruling, sovereign hand and to bow with submission to the will of our heavenly Father. These deep afflictions lead us, more & more to prize the work of grace in the heart, for were we not favoured with consolation from above. At what time should we grieve? no other refuge, no other solid comforter! And at times when the heart is pressed down with grief, and the thought is pleasant to withdraw his presence, what a sweet solace to recall the great blessings of grace, the mercy and

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liberty of God; regarding them of the trials, difficulties, and dangers we have to pass, then we could indeed say, "It is good for us to be here;" these reproving seasons often return, but we must not expect too much indulgence in this world would not be one of tribulation.

Here perfect life can never be found.

The honey's swift with salt.

Widest ranging soul with young friends

Be thou very all in all.

In looking back upon our chequered pathway, we may, in every circumstance, trace the love and goodness of God, that have attended us through all our journey, and at the last we shall, with grateful hearts own,

Grace kept our warring feet.

Treading the heavenly road.

And now supplies with love we meet.

Which travelling home to God.

When shall I see that happy place,

And be for ever blest?

When shall I see my Father's face,

And in his bosom rest?

March 1849

March 31<sup>st</sup> This is indeed a month of change last month saw our mourning for the loss of our dear Brother, and now our singular Brother Robert is married and on his way to Australia, the event took place on the 10<sup>th</sup> he departed for his home on the 14<sup>th</sup> and left again on Friday 16<sup>th</sup>; the officers & well-wishers, present persons. We trust this change may be the means of leading him to settle down to a business life he certainly appears to take pleasure in the quiet life of his home and energy, they sailed from London on the 19<sup>th</sup> from Plymouth on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> this matter has rather shocked us yet sorrow and distress appear to be our portion. This month from dear Christy is the cause, poor child she has endured great through many troubles, but the present is the saddest time of all. For some weeks the greatest suspense and sorrow has been endured, caused by many suspicions with regard to Henry Barker. The great distress was from letters found amongst his private papers, paper with

to him, however not satisfactory. Mr. Thompson wrote, wishing him to come, this he declined; letters from William, very sad accounts of his conduct towards Matrons. Elizabeth wrote to Ann, every report comprised very kind and sympathizing letters, the poor child recoiled at seeing the matter to deliver and thus ends our summary of seven years past. For 7 years the greatest confidence has been placed in her sufficient gratefulness, we did indeed believe her to be honourable, brave, honest, and persevering in her course, but the wickedness of man, he has pursued the reverse of all we anticipated. For dear Christy, my heart grows fonder, the one bright object of my vision, which in all her sorrow found solace in me, that her heart may be given to Him who hath said, "Be (a daughter) from one stone heart," then there will be no disappointment, the dear Lord is ever faithful, ever generous, may His dear name become more precious to her soul, and may peace and consolation be granted at His trying hour.



April 1849

April 30<sup>th</sup> Very cold weather, snow and frost myself go from work. Sister M. Mathews can do good Friday (6<sup>th</sup> inst.) from her Sister Adams was here. I am on the previous evening, left on Saturday morning, converse respecting our poor Brother's lot. I felt as though I should never cease to grieve for our poor Brother Joseph, the dear Lord whom can relieve the burden of my heart, and poor Chubb too, it is indeed distressing to see her, and so uncomplaining, and yet it is so very evident how much she feels, many divine consolations given. for she has not but miserable comforts to her, and how very much these would affect my health, causing palpitation, and that wearying pain at the chest, obliged to have Mr. Mathews, for a length of time, enjoyed sweet comfort on Sunday evenings. The subject has been for several Sundays over on the 103<sup>rd</sup> Psalm, it is indeed food of consolation and has been abundantly blessed to my soul. Oh what a mercy to friends, although in the world we have tribulation yet in our dear Lord's service we have peace.

August 1849

Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> Circumstances of a much importance arising at the commencement of the year has caused some incidents to pass away about unheeded yet I will note, for my reference 1<sup>st</sup> my journey to Leicester for the first Sunday in May. Went on the Saturday, stayed at Mr. Belsheds, saw them on Sunday, enjoyed the service much, particularly the hymn, "Joy for sinners lost from sin", in the morning sat with Sara, Robinson in the evening, returned home on the Tuesday. Still far from work June 13<sup>th</sup> Mr. Hope came and stayed with us until the following Wednesday, on the Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> we all went to ~~Leicester~~ for the very pleasant evening.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Our dear friend Mr. Holden came to spend a little time amongst us, had not seen her for seven years, met her at the coach, she then took her to North Pond Chubb very much pleased to see her dear friend stayed there until Thursday week, on which day we went to Bolton, then came to our house, and stayed until Thursday, my dear husband had a cold on the Friday evening.

August 1849

July 18<sup>th</sup> Papa went to Ireland, remained from home 2 fortnights, went to Dublin, Belfast etc. brought a favorable account of the past & was. — Brought very happy his return Monday July 23<sup>rd</sup> Henry & Eliza with 3 other children and Chubb went to Farmington stayed there week, returned home Aug 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Aug 11<sup>th</sup> Ellen left, and Lucy Mary came, may the change prove for the better. August 16<sup>th</sup> A general commotion in the Bank began to make the alterations at the entrance obliged to have stores up all night, etc. a watch, brought in indeed when completed Aug 26<sup>th</sup> Very pleasant Sunday evening, Mr. Pope had been reading sermons by ~~Widdell~~ also an account of his life. Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Left home to spend some time at Leicester and in the country, enjoyed the change very much, did not return until Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> away the whole month very much better in health, determined to have a reform with regard to dinner how convenient during the time, very thankful to be once more settled at our dear home.

October 1849

October 29<sup>th</sup> Jesus calls on space and has brought us through the autumnal month of Oct 4<sup>th</sup> all around reminds us of nature's decay and we know not how soon our earthly vessel may be consigned to its resting place, We think on what such may be more and more devoted to high and beautiful things that when our end shall come, the spirit may be prepared to meet its dear Redeemer, and to say, "Come Lord Jesus come quickly, how many at this time are plunged into the depths of sorrow and distress, having lost their nearest and dearest relatives by death, sudden death the Almighty has been pleased to spare me but with a most fearful malady, yet blessed be his dear name we have been wonderfully preserved and now it appears the Lord has sent forth the command, "Wither that thou go, but no ghostly", we would be remembered more, and prove his faithful in thus staying his mighty hand, may these prophecies be the means of bringing some to repentance, and may sorrowing hearts of the Lord's family be enabled to say, hark to God. Thy will be done —

\* The Chorus



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Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> My old friend returned, obliging to have  
Mr. Nathan, they were poorly, succumbing to weak  
joints, and heartache, continued some time  
Mr. Nathan attended, on the sofa generally.  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Letter from Sara, saying Mr. Nathan  
had been dangerously ill, Mary also ill of  
scarlet fever, I wrote to her, little Chas. also ill.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> My dear husband's birthday, passed  
the Post Office, Chas. & Anne, commenced  
the day on Monday, Mamma & Papa, they &  
Henry & Chas. with Mr. Papa came to dinner,  
Lizzy, William & Father also. Mr. Gaston dined  
on the birthday, wife, read book & with much  
pleasure & joy, pleasant evening.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Chas. much better, still to go out  
again, my self still suffering from pain, taking  
medicine bit, letter from Sara informing we  
had been very ill with scarlet fever; Mr. Nathan  
as well as could be expected, having given birth to  
a little son on the 14<sup>th</sup> from Chas. & Chas. from  
Chas. from, still very ill, but out of danger, it is  
indeed very trying for dear Sam just at this  
time, may strength and support be granted,  
and may the dear child be restored to its affectionate  
parents.

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Sunday Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> Once more passed with  
the sound of the gospel, enjoyed the service  
much in the evening, Mr. Wrightman had  
tea with us, on Monday Mr. C. spent the  
evening with us, Mr. Allen of <sup>Massachusetts</sup> came,  
Chas. Papa & Chas. tea in drawing room,  
suffered from their pleasant evening.

could not enjoy the service on Tuesday evening  
pain in chest & very bad, poor husband also  
had very violent sick headache.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Surprised and to hear of poor  
Mr. Nathan's death, only taken ill on Thursday  
and expired on the Friday night at 12 o'clock.

It appears singular indeed that the Almighty  
should be pleased to take away so hastily one  
of his chosen ones, one so useful to his people  
especially to the poor of the flock, many indeed  
with lament this left the General Bk place  
on the following Friday I with Papa & Mamma  
went to the church, Mr. & Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. W.  
and several others were there; on the following

Sunday, General hymns were sung in the morning  
in the evening a most impressive sermon was  
read, the text, "Father into thy hands I commend my  
spirit," forgot not this memorable evening.

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December 1849 Another year is added to the  
"mass of burdened years," a year fraught with  
many trials, yet amidst all, if we ask  
the question "Is there anything" we answer  
would be nothing; no, the dear Lord has  
indeed been faithful to his promise,  
granting strength equal to the day, and  
with truth we may say every trial  
works for good, even the last month has  
been one I can never forget, although  
suffering much from severe pain, yet I  
can indeed say, the "burdened man" has  
been renewed day by day, indeed it is  
impossible to describe the perfect peace  
and submission with which I have been  
favoured, I feel to have been deeply impressed  
with the solemn approach of death, whenever  
it may come, so that my mind may be  
trusting in their solemn, confident state, with  
resting upon, and trusting in the righteousness  
of our ever blessed Saviour, with him and  
the Father and ever blessed Spirit be all  
known and forgiven now & for ever. Amen.

Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> 49

Memorandum 1850

Having suffered much from pain in the chest  
during the last few months, and my general  
health much affected, I at length decided  
to try Homoeopathy, accordingly left home  
at the beginning of July and went to Mr. G. Adams  
for the purpose of consulting Dr. Hanson, he  
advised change of diet and medicine, after a  
short time I began to feel better, remained  
there a month, Mr. Adams exceedingly kind,  
after my return home the symptoms returned  
sent for Dr. Hanson, continued to follow his  
directions, and from this time I began to  
improve; truly thankful indeed to I feel that  
the means have been so far better, I begin  
to see the great difference between the old and  
new system of medicine, and should the dear  
Lord grant the returning health and strength  
I purpose reaching into it, that I may be  
enabled to administer medicine to others as  
also to my self, and with a truly grateful heart  
I acknowledge the goodness of God in leading me  
to such simple means of relief. March 1851.



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August 1850

Mallock Bath Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>. Here I have been staying for the last fortnight, and can truly say it has been a time of refreshing from the Lord, being much to me, my only enjoyment has been in retiring to some quiet lonely spot, where I could contemplate the goodness and faithfulness of our ever precious God; it was here 15 years ago, the dear Lord was pleased to restore me to health, after a very severe illness, and when I think of the many, many, special mercies received since that time, my heart is filled with thanksgiving with gratitude;—at that time my mind was in darkness with regard to Spiritual concerns, and must have continued so, had not the dear Lord been pleased to look upon me, and call me by his grace out of a world that both in sin and wickedness;—and now I enjoy the marvellous light and liberty of his precious gospel, in how great is his love to unworthy sinners, and how merciful and gracious is the dear Lord in granting to me, that sweet peace, that rest, solid joy and rejoicing in his name

known only to those, whose names are written in heaven;—how gratefully hath every promise been fulfilled by "In the world ye shall have tribulation, but in me ye shall have peace."—Oh! Afflictions are for the present not joyous but grievous, yet afterwards they yield the precious fruits of righteousness.—

The cause of my visit to Mallock was on account of poor Mother Eden who has been suffering much from rheumatism. I joined her at Burton, there I stayed one week, then came here, poor Mother cannot go out except in a bath-chair, her little change I hope may prove beneficial to her also, for the pain at chest still is troublesome at times, though much better than it was, I earnestly desire to join the dear Lord, who hath so often blessed the means used, may I be glorified with patience and submission to his divine will at all times.—

December 1850

Dec. 1850 Having written daily in my pocket book three years, I write monthly now, since I last wrote my health has been gradually improving, which is a happy subject. This is such a troublesome paper to write upon, that I have decided never to write anything particular, and to continue daily Memorandum elsewhere.—

I find it pleasant to look back, and consider the way the dear Lord hath led me, in this wilderness, many trials have been appointed for me, yet the Lord hath graciously delivered me out of them all, and the Lord is indeed faithful, "In the world ye shall have tribulation, but in me ye shall have peace." I desire to bless the dear Lord who hath granted me at times that peace which perfects all understanding,—

January 1851

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>. In contrasting the commencement of this year with last, how can I ever be sufficiently grateful to the Spirit of all good who hath thus granted so great a change; last year I was suffering from severe pain and feared it would never be removed, now I am quite restored and can enjoy food as others, am also enabled to stand with comfort to the duties appointed for me, before they were at times a burden indeed. Oh that I could find words to express the gratitude of my heart!



February 1851

February 1851 Spent this month at Birmingham with Mr & Mrs S. Adams. Jane gave birth to a little girl on the 20<sup>th</sup> January. Afterwards named Sarah Emily. I left home on the 29<sup>th</sup> arrived at Birmingham at 6 in the eve. very kindly received. Jane going on well, I managed the housekeeping for her, rather troublesome servants. John Adams affairs very unsettled. Determined not to listen to the advice of his friends, several letters from him; — enjoyed several drives after Jane was able to go out again. Also spent a day with Mr. Walsby, and had tea with the Hudsons. Thus the latter part of my visit passed very pleasantly, stayed just a month, left on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> for Lammington enjoyed two days there according with Mr. Cost and Miss Wynn, weather very bright, though cold, had some delightful walks, provided from thence to Leicester, remained there until Monday, at Mr. Woodard arrived home March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5, unexpectedly to dear Dad, glad and thankful once more to be quietly settled at my dear home.